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Mayor plans move to Amarillo in 2013

The Friona city council met Monday December 10 at 6:30 p.m. in council chambers at 619 Main St. All council members were present. Several boys from Cub Scout Pack 56 were present along with their pack leaders.

Prior to the start of the official agenda, Mayor J.B. Douglas told council members he plans to move to Amarillo by the end of March 2013. He and wife Johnny are having a garden home built in north Amarillo near the medical complex. Mayor Douglas was re-elected last May to serve a two-year term.

Since the mayor will be leaving in March or April, an interim mayor will not be named. Instead, candidate(s) for mayor will be placed on the May 11, 2013 local election ballot and will serve a one-year term. Information about signing up for mayor and city council positions are available at Friona city hall.

City human resource and financial employee Kelly Daniel will be moving to Midland. Her last day of employment will be January 4, 2013. Daniel and city manager Patricia Phipps were slated to take over all accounting and operational procedures at Prairie Acres from the management company in January. With Daniel's departure, the council authorized Phipps to enter into a one-year contract with the management company, Transition Health Services, for back office operations, accounts payable, and payroll until such

time as the city can take it over. The contract has a 60-day escape clause, which means either party can cancel the contract on 60-day notice.

In other council business the updates to various city building codes were all approved. Billy Ray Johnston, Prairie Acres administrator, was authorized to negotiate with the Texas Department of Aging and Disability on matters pertaining to Prairie Acres/Heritage Estates.

Friona will be joining a consortium of Texas cities to oppose an Xcel Energy rate increase. Xcel will pay any legal fees pertaining to the rate increase matters.

The council approved the lease renewal of property south of Friona to Jerry Loflin for the 2013-2014 crop year. Mr. Loflin, previous owner of the property, pays \$6822 per year to the city to use the land for cattle grazing. A slight variance for construction of a patio at the Danny Hand residence was approved.

The council re-appointed Glenn Reeve, Roddy Berend, and David Smith to the Planning and Zoning commission. After discussing and approving the November accounts payable and financial statement, the meeting adjourned and the Cub Scout Pack had a photo taken with the mayor and council.

The next meeting of the city council will be at 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 14, 2013. All council meetings are open to the public.



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Members of Cub Scout Pack 56 and their leader Becky Dickson attended the Monday night regular meeting of the Friona city council. The boys were working on their citizenship badges. Council members, from left, are Jim Atwell, Martha Barker, city manager Patricia Phipps, Mayor J.B. Douglas, Mark Osborn, Greg Lewellen, and Charlie Pope. Cub Scouts, l-r, Mrs. Dickson, Jake Campbell, Alex Guerra, Tyler Wood-Jones, Lucas Dickson, Luis Reveles, and Colton Riethmayer.

AgriLife iPad/iPhone workshop for farmers

AgriLife Extension Service will hold a workshop Wednesday December 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bailey County office, 118 W. Ave C in Muleshoe to train farmers and ranchers to use their iPhones and iPads to make decisions to increase their bottom lines. Registration fee is \$30 and lunch is included.

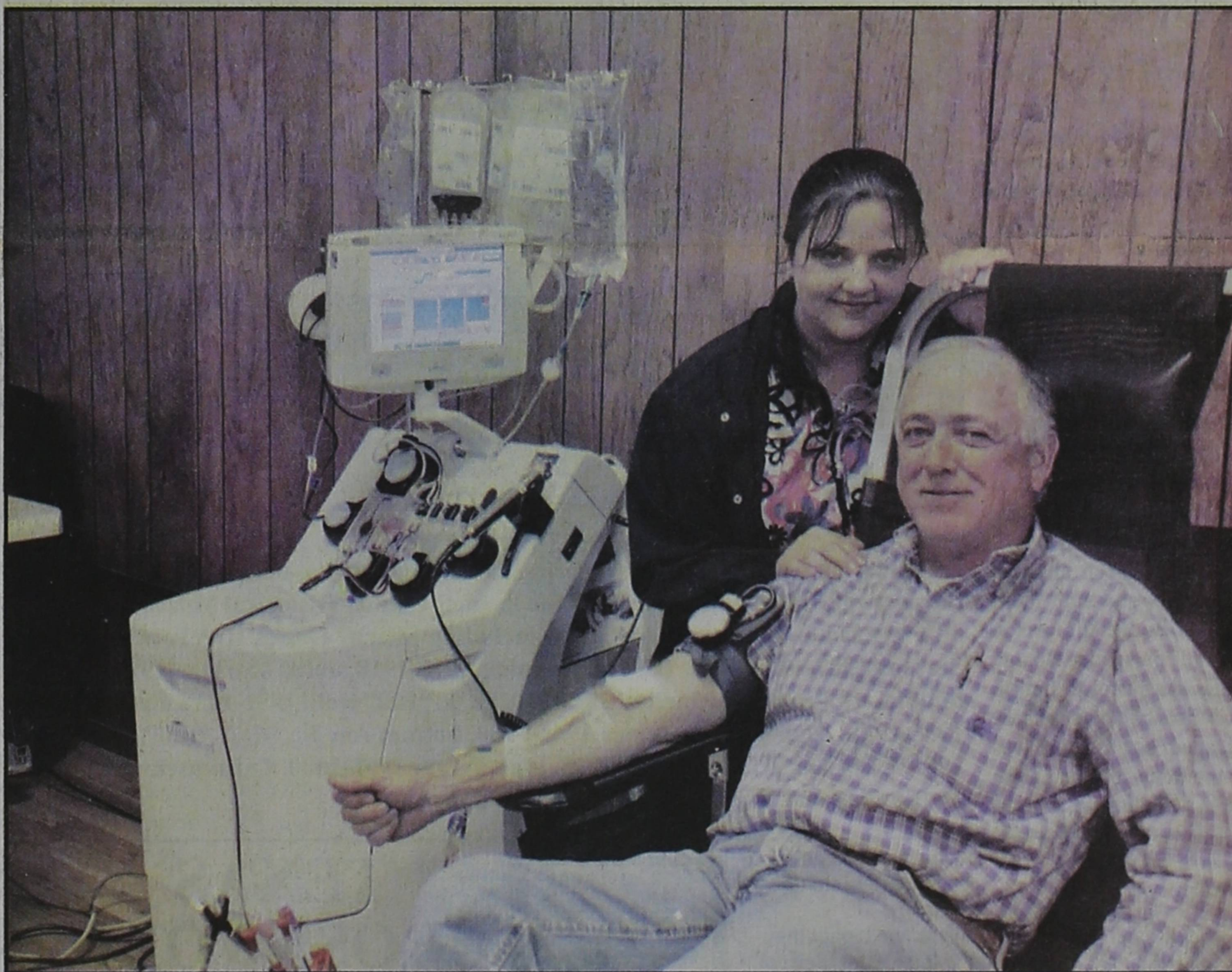
In this workshop participants will learn to use their iPhones and iPads to make quick decisions in the field, on the tractor, or in the pickup.

The team will train producers to utilize these apps to more effectively manage risks in their business and improve the profitability of their business, according to Extension Agent Monti Vandiver. They will learn to access market data to help them evaluate relevant pricing strategies.

They will also improve their knowledge of costs and break evens using the Cost of Production app the team has developed. Participants will be introduced to a wide range of other apps related to marketing, budgeting, irrigation decisions, various time-saving calculators and other tools.

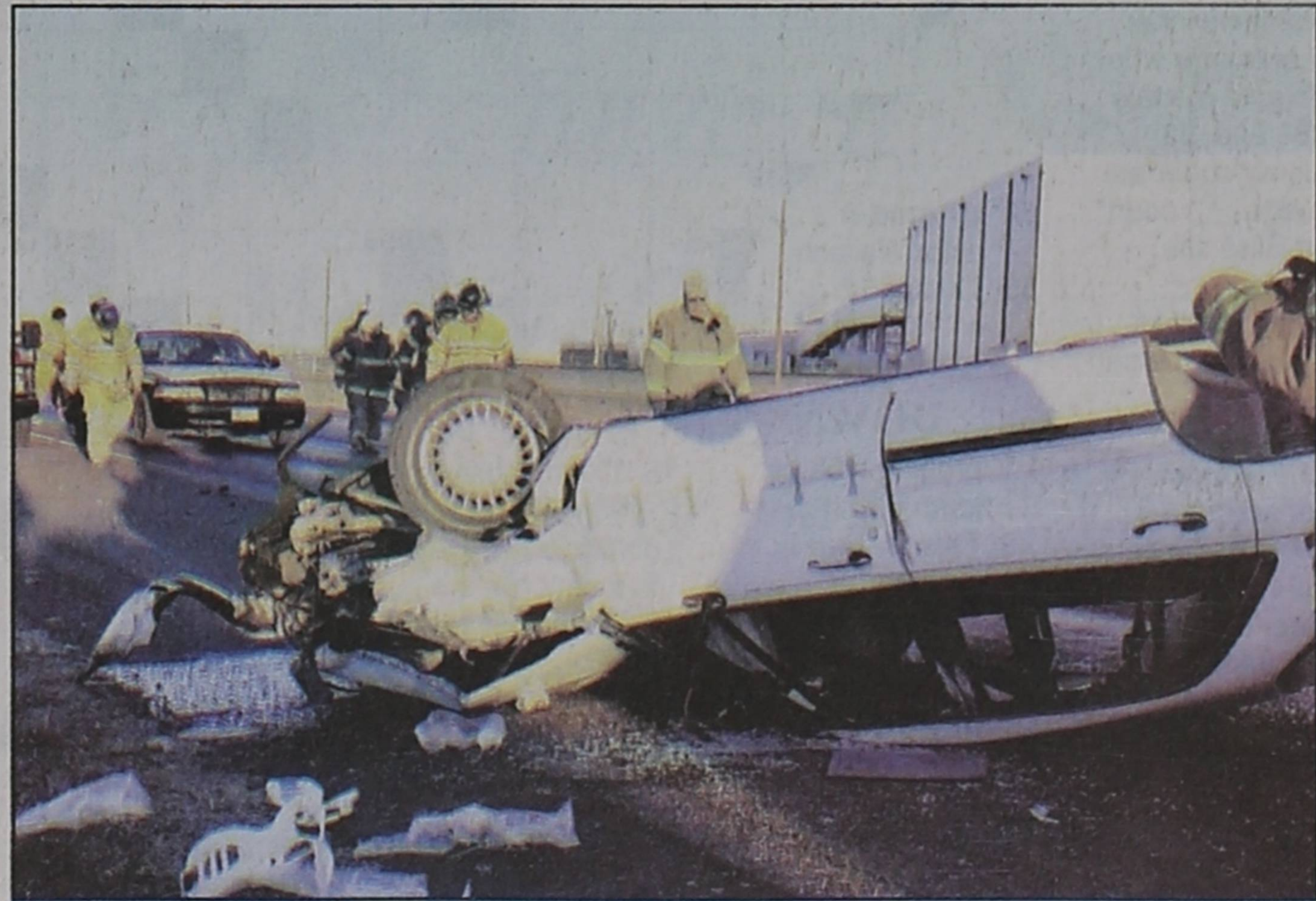
Each workshop participant will have access to iPads with apps already installed. The participants will enter data and learn to utilize various apps that can help them make decisions related to profitability and improve their price and production risk management skills.

To register contact the Bailey County Extension office by Monday December 17 at 806-272-4583.



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Coffee Memorial Blood Center collected 60 blood donations from the citizens of Friona at last Thursday's blood drive. Jim Murphree, shown with Coffee Memorial technician Virginia Kibler, donated on this apheresis machine, which draws blood then separates platelets and other blood components and circulates the blood back to the donor. It takes a bit longer than a regular donation. Thanks to Jim and everyone who donated for giving the gift of life.

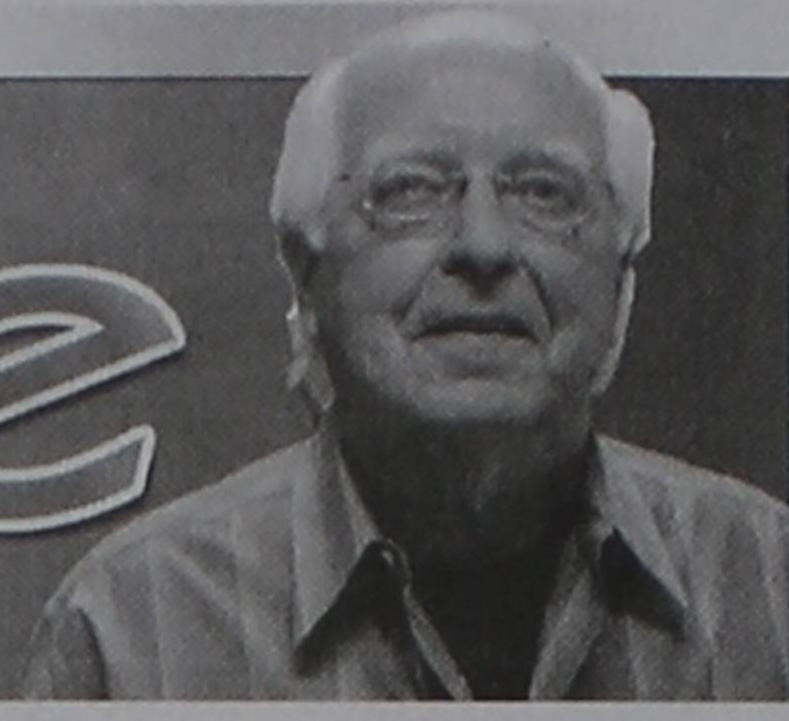


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Friona firemen and EMS personnel wheel an accident victim to the ambulance at the scene of a wreck west of the Cargill plant on Hwy 60 about 5 p.m. Monday. A couple from New Mexico were driving a Buick that struck an SUV and a semi- and ended up on its top on the westbound shoulder. Firemen extracted the man from the vehicle. The two occupants of the vehicle were taken to Parmer Medical Center with unknown injuries. The SUV and semi- drivers were not injured. DPS Trooper Izzy Carrasco, left, investigated the accident.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



a gangster tour of texas

Reprinted from the January 2013 issue of Texas Highways Magazine, the Travel Magazine of Texas. This story was titled "Bonnie & Clyde: On the trail of the Barrow Gang" and was one of several Texas gangster stories featured in the magazine.

Among the best known of the criminal enterprises in Texas was the group known as the Barrow Gang. The only two individuals continuously associated with the group were Bonnie Parker and Clyde Chesnut Barrow. Their trail of crime covered much of Texas as well as places as distant as Minnesota and Indiana.

Bonnie Parker was born in 1910 at Rowena, a small farming community in West Texas. After an abusive marriage, she ended up on her own in 1928, working waitress jobs in Dallas, including at the Hargraves Café.

Clyde was born in 1909 on a farm near Tellico, in Ellis County. His family moved to Dallas in 1922. He went to school for a time but then dropped out. The slight young man with boyish looks went to work for a series of businesses, and then began stealing cars and burglarizing houses to get extra money.

In January 1930, Clyde called at the West Dallas home of Clarence Clay, whose daughter had been in an accident. There he met Bonnie Parker, who had come to see the friend as well. Clyde fell for the petite café waitress with blue eyes and reddish-brown hair.

In February 1930, police awakened Clyde at Bonnie's house and arrested him for a burglary in Denton. There was insufficient evidence to convict Clyde, but authorities transferred him to Waco, where he had been charged with burglary and auto theft. Hoping to dodge the prison term, Clyde persuaded Bonnie to smuggle a pistol to him in jail. Row and two other prisoners escaped, but freedom was brief; the three surrendered to police in Middletown, Ohio, a

week later. While Bonnie wrote imprisoned Clyde a steady stream of letters, his mother worked for his early release. In 1932, Governor Miriam Ferguson granted him a conditional parole. Clyde returned to his family and Bonnie in Dallas.

Soon, Clyde went back to what he knew well—burglary. Over the next two years, Clyde's crime spree continued and progressed, with Bonnie and various other accomplices, including brother Buck and Buck's wife Blanche. Many people of that time had viewed them as Robin Hood-like characters who stole from the rich and shared with the poor. But after they murdered two motorcycle officers who still had their guns holstered, people realized that the members of the Barrow gang were cold-blooded killers.

The editor of the Dallas Morning News declared: "The fugitive Barrow and his

companions are...like the mad dog; the only remedy for their ailment is extinction. They must be hunted up and disposed of."

Unknown to the public, professional man-hunters were already on their trail. Former Texas Ranger Frank Hamer was commissioned to track down Clyde Barrow. The ranger soon learned that the key to ending Barrow's career might be accomplice Henry Methvin.

Bonnie and Clyde were staying in an abandoned bungalow about 10 miles south of Gibsland, Louisiana. Methvin's family lived in the same general neighborhood, and a number of them had befriended the Texas desperadoes. Hamer offered a pardon for Methvin's Texas crimes in exchange for a tip-off that would lead to the arrest or elimination of Bonnie and Clyde and a deal was struck. On the morning of May

23, 1934, Methvin's father stopped his logging truck in the middle of the road leading to the hideout. Removing a tire, he gave the vehicle a disabled appearance. Hidden in the roadside brush were four Texas lawmen and two members of the Bienville Parish sheriff's department.

At about 9:10, old man Methvin and the officers heard the distant high-pitched whine of a fast moving V-8 engine. The tan colored Ford sedan pulled into view and paused when the passengers recognized the disabled truck. Then the first of more than a hundred gunshots began striking Bonnie and Clyde's car. The shots killed the couple almost instantly. Inside the car lawmen found an arsenal of firearms, clothing, a pair of purple-tinted sunshades, Clyde's saxophone, and a partially eaten sandwich in Bonnie's lap. The Barrow Gang was no more.

New Game Warden impressed with friendly Plains folk

By Jim Steiert

The Deaf Smith, Castro, Parmer County triangle may be short on trees and river bottoms, but its friendly people make up for the difference in terrain.

That's the impression of T.J. Tweedle, new Hereford-based Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game warden, who took up his post in the Magic Triangle area in September after graduating as a member of Class Number 57 from TPWD's Game Warden Academy in August and being assigned to the local area.

Tweedle, who will be 25 in January, grew up in Meridian, not far from Waco, and graduated from high school there. He went on to attend Tarleton State University, where he majored in Wildlife Management, with a minor in biology.

Having spent much of his life in the Brazos Bottoms, Tweedle cut his teeth on deer hunting, and the switch to the more open terrain of the High Plains and its difference in deer habitat and numbers has proved a big one.

"I've deer hunted since I was eight years old, and I'm a rifle and archery hunter today. Through high school and college I worked as manager on a whitetailed deer operation—Snuff Ranch, where they had both a breeding operation to improve whitetail genetics, and a hunting operation. I learned a lot farming, trapping predators, and guiding hunting clients," Tweedle says.

Tweedle says he lured in deer for clients by rattling antlers during the rut, or advised clients on the quality of individual bucks as they stalked a trophy-class animal.

"In the breeding operation I was around whitetails a lot and I got accustomed how deer from different age classes looked. I learned to age them on the hoof and to score their racks accurately while viewing them," he says.

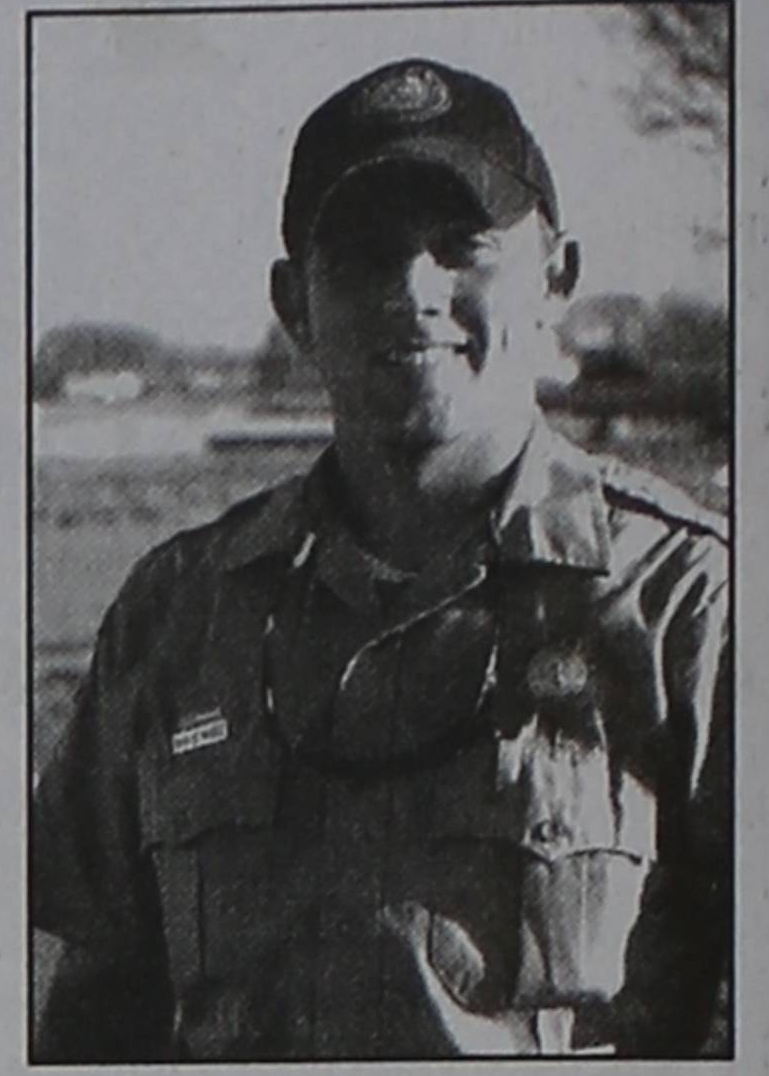
After working at Snuff Ranch, Tweedle moved to Plano for a short time as a wildlife biologist, before deciding to enlist in the Game Warden Academy.

"I was always interested in game warden work and had ridden along with a couple of wardens to see what it was like. Through the years I heard a lot of stories about how hard it was to become a game warden and those stories just caused me to set my mind to accomplish it," he says.

Tweedle says Game Warden Academy training was rigorous, with a lot of both physical and mental training, but he rates what he went through at the Academy as "a lot of really good stuff."

Training included field trips to the Texas Coast, East Texas, and the border region with Mexico, where game wardens sometimes help to interdict drug smugglers and deal with often dangerous situations.

During his intense training days at the Academy, Tweedle also married his longtime sweet-



T.J. Tweedle Game Warden

heart Laurie, the girl he had dated from his senior year of high school in Meridian through college. Their wedding was in May. Laurie, a certified teacher who grew up in the same hometown as T.J., is currently working as an aide at Friona Junior High and is seeking a full time teaching post.

Upon graduating from the Game Warden Academy in August, Tweedle learned on a Tuesday that his duty station would be in the Hereford area. They drove up on a Friday, looked around for housing all day on a Saturday, and returned home on Sunday to pack up their belongings and relocate to the High Plains.

"Being away from our families is hard for us, but we're learning that the friendly people here make up for the differences in terrain and they help us to cope with the eight hour separation from loved ones," says T.J.

He grew up hunting deer, dove, and turkey, and bass fishing on private ponds and in Lake Whitney.

"I've never done much waterfowl hunting. That's something I'm excited to get the chance to take part in while in this area. I'm learning deer habitat is much different here, and that you can see a long way," Tweedle says.

The Meridian native says he hasn't encountered "anything major yet" in learning the lay of the land in his assigned counties. He helped out with patrolling in Bailey County during the recent brief mule deer season there, and also assisted a fellow game warden with deer work in Briscoe County.

"I've encountered a lot of friendly folks in the field, and a couple of soreheads, just like you'd expect to anywhere," he says.

Tweedle says he hasn't adopted a particular philosophy of game law enforcement just yet.

"I'm learning a lot about the lay of things out here, riding around with fellow wardens, and I know I'll be learning a lot more as I go along. I'm excited to have this opportunity," he emphasized.

(Jim Steiert is an award winning member of the Texas Outdoor Writers Association and a Certified Texas Master Naturalist.)



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Including current Sheriff Randy Geries, Parmer County has had 11 Sheriffs during the past 100+ years. This display at the Parmer County Historical Museum shows all the Parmer County Sheriffs, not including Sheriff Geries. Top row l-r, E.T. Stevens 1907-1909, R.C. "Coke" Hopping 1910-1918, John Aldridge 1919-1922, middle row l-r, James Martin 1923-1930, W.W. "Bill" Hall, 1931-1934, Earl Booth 1935-1948, Charles B. Lovelace 1949-1980, bottom row l-r, M.C. "Bill" Morgan 1981-1988, Rex Williams 1989-1998, Walt Yerger 1998-2000. The museum is open on Monday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ACROSS

1 TXism: "will miss ___ you blink" (small town)

5 TXism: "two chances: slim and ___"

6 seat of Oldham Co.

7 TXism: "still wet behind the ___"

8 in 1881, this govt. bldg. was destroyed by fire (2 wds.)

17 TX Brown who was Notre Dame Heisman winner

18 UT swimmer who won gold medals in 88 and 92

21 TXism: "sober as a judge ___ court"

22 Fort Bliss site: Lanoria ___

23 lacking vitality

24 TXism: "let the cat out of ___"

29 TXism: "in this ___ of the woods"

30 boot aroma

31 Gov. ___ Culberson (1894-98)

32 career choice of TX born Sam Donaldson

34 TXism: "right ___" (specific location)

35 Dallas Stars league

36 plowing machines

37 TX-sized electronics co.

38 chicken casa

39 TXism: "stands ___ ___ feet"

41 dark fur

42 TX Larry McMurtry's "Lonesome ___"

43 TXism: "enjoyed about all this ___ stand"

44 TX ranch

45 TXism: "the bigger they ___ the harder they fall"

46 TXism: "hot as road ___ in July"

47 Lyndon ___ Johnson

48 crop gatherer

50 lubricates

51 TXism: "___ little horse trading" (dicker)

52 UT grad & actor Wallach

53 TXism: "he s only got one ___ in the water"

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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DOWN

1 probing type of journalism

2 TXism: "brave enough ___"

3 in Kerr Co. on 27

4 Latin Rite: "___ of Corpus Christi"

9 pilot bail out

10 barrel or keg

11 Santa ___, CA

12 in college it s kinesiology (abbr.)

13 TXism: "call ___ ___" (quit)

14 "... daddy sang bass, momma sang ___"

15 TXism: "just ___ yonder"

16 "Gone to Texas" meant "on the ___"

19 December visitor: St. ___

20 Cowboy & Texan tickets are ___ for more than value

22 "Don t ___ Texas!"

24 ___ Rusk took over TX Army after Houston

25 TXism: "sells like ___ cakes"

26 currency in the eurozone

27 TXism: "burn that ___ little deeper" (explain)

28 TX Dan Rather s former job at CBS

29 Robert De ___

30 words of dismay

33 TX Freddie Fender tune: "You ll ___ a Good Thing"

34 TXism: "fast as small ___ gossip"

35 TXism: "he s all foam and ___" (superficial)

37 past event: "Walt Garrison All- ___"

38 chili con ___

40 collegiate sports organization (abbr.)

41 TXism: "full of ___ and vinegar"

44 back talk

47 ___ High School in El Paso

49 stringed instrument

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Town Talk II

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They call it a dusting. That's all we had for snow Monday morning. Didn't add up to any moisture but caused some slick roads around the county. Several accidents Monday morning of the "sliding into the ditch" variety. A couple of accidents Monday afternoon west of town near Cargill had nothing to do with the snow, which was gone by then. No moisture in the forecast for the next several days.

The First Baptist Church adult choir will present the Christmas Musical "Jesus, There's Something About That Name" on Sunday evening December 16 at 6 p.m. The musical will be followed by the Candlelight Service and Lottie Moon ingathering. Everyone is invited.

We send thanks to Mitch Terry and his automotive class from last year for building the many lighted stars that are shining on Main St. If you haven't been down Main St. after dark take a ride and enjoy. The stars are

very nice and present a consistent image along the street. Uncle John White would be proud. Thanks Mitch and students.

Friona Heritage Estates will have their Christmas open house at 5 p.m. Tuesday December 18. Everyone is invited to stop by and see the festive decorations and enjoy a cup of refreshments. Heritage Estates is a very nice facility. Stop by and visit the friendly folks.

The FHS choir Christmas Concert will be held Monday December 17 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Admission is free but donations will be accepted for the SnackPak4Kids program.

I stopped by the Friona blood drive last Thursday. Jim Murphree was hooked up giving blood and had time to tell this story: Three vampires went into a bar. The waitress came over and said 'what'll you have'. The first vampire said he would have

a glass of blood. The second said he would have a glass of blood. The third vampire said he would have a glass of plasma. The waitress turned and yelled to the bartender, "two bloods and a blood lite". Thanks for the material Jim and thanks to all who donated the 60 units of blood at the blood drive.

School dismisses at noon on Friday December 21, which is also the end of the 3rd six weeks. Also on the 21st is an elementary AR party in the gym, junior high semester exams and the JV and varsity boys and girls play Olton here. Classes resume Monday January 7, 2013.

Friona junior high is hosting an award ceremony Friday, December 21 at 11:45 a.m. to present medals and ribbons to junior high students who placed in the One-Act Play and UIL competition. The ceremony will be held in the junior high auditorium.

Tuesday December 18 the JV

and varsity boys and girls host Nazareth at Friona gym. JV starts at 5 p.m. Squaws at 6:30 and Chiefs at 8 p.m. Reminder that with the construction messing up the parking lot, the front door to the high school is open so fans can park in front of the school and enter through the cafeteria.

Also on Tuesday December 18, the caregiver support group will meet at 10 a.m. at Friona Heritage Estates. All caregivers in the community are invited to come share, care, and learn. Refreshments will be provided and Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice will sponsor a door prize. This is a community service and open to the public. For more info call Bluebonnet at 247-0057.

The re-opening of Tasty Cream by Luis and Janet Hernandez is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Monday December 17. They are also the owners of Hernandez Carniceria Mexican Restaurant. Am told they plan to have the same basic Tasty Cream menu as in the past. Good luck and we'll be calling you to compare your cheeseburgers.

Did you notice some info included with your bank statement this month? Effective January 1, 2013, all of your accounts together are insured by the FDIC for a maximum total of \$250,000. Up to now each separate account was insured for \$250,000. Now your accounts are added together and only insured for an aggregate total of \$250,000. Confused? Call your banker.

The county burn ban is still in effect. NO outdoor burning is authorized and violators are

subject to citations and fines. For any questions contact the County Judge's office or the Sheriff's Department.

Don't forget Project Christmas Card sponsored by the hospital auxiliary. Donations benefit Parmer Medical Center and a list of donors will be included in the December 20 Friona Star. Donations can be made at Friona State Bank or various business locations around Friona, including the Friona Star office.

Donations to the Empty Stocking Fund are still needed. Can deposit to the ESF at Friona State Bank or call Peggy Monroe. Do it soon because they are already shopping for clothes, shoes, socks and toys for needy children. Thank you Friona for your generosity.

Big noisy wreck Monday about 5 p.m. west of Cargill in the westbound lanes. Friona firemen and EMS were dispatched. A Buick passenger car tried to pass between an SUV and semi, clipped the SUV on the left rear, bounded into the right rear of the semi- then cartwheeled and landed on its top on the right shoulder of Hwy 60. The New Mexico couple were extracted by the Friona firemen and transported to PMC by Friona EMS. The Sheriff's department was on the scene and DPS Trooper Izzy Carrasco investigated the wreck.

The drawings for the Chamber of Commerce's Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays promotion will be Monday December 17. When you shop local with a participating merchant you can sign up for the drawings which will award \$25 Friona Bucks to individual winners and \$100 Friona Bucks to an overall winner.

The Friona United Way campaign is ongoing. Donations can be made at Friona State Bank or mailed to United Way of Friona c/o Larry Knowles, 801 Arrah, Friona 79035. The local United Way provides funds for such diverse groups as Kids Inc to Meals on Wheels. The 2012 budget goal is \$66,250.

Friona firemen were paged to a gas leak call about 12:30 noon Sunday. Monday they were called to the wreck on Hwy 60 west of Friona. I keep a scanner in the office and our building is about two blocks from the fire station. I'm always amazed how quick the firemen respond. From the time of the page until the first truck rolls is often 2-3 minutes or less. We are thankful for a great group of volunteers.

The conference between referees and school officials at halftime during the Squaws basketball game with Abernathy had to do with a district rule that only two officials are hired for basketball games. There were three officials at the game. One of the refs told me they didn't know about the rule until halftime. Coaches agreed to continue with three refs but future games will only have two. Superintendent Austin said our district voted to have two officials to save money.

We have a ton of Santa letters. Some are in this week's paper and the rest will be in our Christmas paper next week. As the end of the year approaches we send thanks to all of our readers and advertisers and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. See you next week. Until then!



courtesy photo

Brian Wiseman received his Master of Divinity degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky on December 7, 2012. Shown are his parents Carolyn and Kevin Wiseman, Brian and his wife Hope.

On behalf of our family we wish to express our sincere appreciation for the kindness shown to Willie and our family during his illness. The thoughts and prayers shown to our family shows how blessed we are to live in such an amazing community of many caring individuals.

We would especially like to thank Parmer Medical Center and Dr. Dickson and his staff, Samaritan Hospice of Hereford, Prairie Acres Nursing Home and Billy Ray and his staff, Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home, Parmer County Sheriff's Office and Randy Gerles and his staff for all the care and compassion shown to our family during this difficult time in our lives. Also to our many friends and family for all of their support. May God bless each and every one of you.

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| Eddie Brailiff & Family | Diana Rosas & Family |
| Synthia Maldonado & Family | |

The Stevens 5 Star Deal of the Week!

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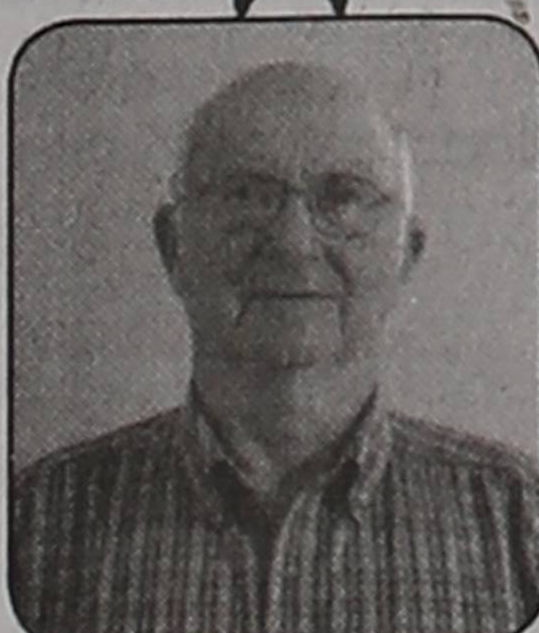
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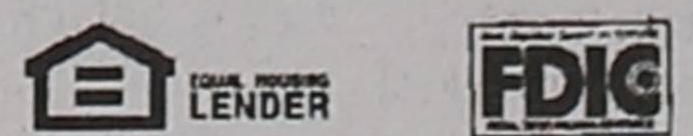


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Lions Club News

The Noon Lions met Thursday December 6 with 11 members and five guests present. Guests were club sweetheart Holly Johnston, County Extension Agent Shana Fleming and 4-H members Cotton Fleming, Marissa Lozoya, and Adrian Rodriguez. Boss Lion Clint Mears presided.

Shana Fleming and the 4-H students gave a program describing the Shattered Dreams event that will be conducted May 2-3, 2013 at the high school. Shattered Dreams is a graphic depiction of consequences of drinking and/or texting while driving. It involves law enforcement, EMS, funeral home, AeroCare, and students selected to act as victims. Mrs. Fleming said the prom is May 4th so the Shattered Dreams program will be a reminder to students to be safe the prom weekend.

The next meeting of the Noon Lions will be Thursday December 20 at Headquarters Restaurant. Prospective members are invited to visit as the club's guest.



ron carr photo
Attending the Noon Lions December 6 meeting were, l-r, County Extension Agent Shana Fleming, and 4-H students Marissa Lozoya, Cotton Fleming, and Adrian Rodriguez. They spoke on the May 2-3, 2013 Shattered Dreams program to be held at Friona High School.



Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds reported by the County Clerk's Office for the week of Nov 29 to Dec 5, 2012.

Bank of America NA - Secretary of Housing and Urban S20' All L3 B8 Drake.

Raymond Glenroy Pete Davies Estate, Jacquelyn Ann Wheeler - Gerardo DeLaCruz, Maria DeLaCruz L1 N30' L4 20' Alley B82 Bovina

Terry Junior Kittrell, Ysleta Lynn Kittrell - Gustavo Arevalo L26-28 B13 Farwell

Mattison L Adams, Monica M Adams - Royce Barnes, Connie Barnes 97.27 ac S66 Blk H Kelly

T & R Farms - Robyn B Rhodes, Alan Rhodes 449.22 ac S30 229.61 ac S31 T5S R4E 83.99 ac S6 T12S R4E, 299.26 ac S31 T5W R4E, 60.79 ac S6 T12S R4E, 83.99 ac S6 T12S R4E, 57.26 ac S6 R12S R4E, 159.97 ac S/PT S6 T12S R4E, 163.838 ac SE/PT S1 T11S R3E, 340.09 ac NE/PT S7 T12S R4E, 656.2 ac S3 Blk H Thomas Kelly, W/2 SE/4 Blk H Thomas Kelly, N/2 S4 Doud & Keefer, S3 Doud & Keefer, S121.5 ac S29 T5S R3E, 1.67 ac SE/PT S1 T11S R3E, 160.37 ac SW/PT S7 T12S R4E, 96.74 ac S5 Doud & Keefer, SW/4 S2 T11S R3E, 317.30 ac S/2 S8 Blk H Thomas Kelly, 157.14 ac NW/4 S8 Blk H Thomas Kelly, S55 Blk H Kelly.



Sheriff's Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office.

December 4, 2012, Nancy Pierce, 52, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Sheriff's Office for motion to revoke, possession of a controlled substance, pending district court.

December 6, 2012, Jessica Saiz, 32, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police for assault, pending county court.

December 7, 2012 Amber King, 29, of Alamogorda, New Mexico was arrested by the Sheriff's Office for motion to revoke, interfere with emergency call, pending county court.

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is on the Web!

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Happy Birthday

December 16 - December 22, 2012

(To add, delete or change a name on our birthday list, please call us at 250-2211 or e-mail to frionastar@wtrt.net.)

Dec. 16-Michael Stanberry, Gerald Floyd, Lisa Guerra, Megan Carr, Kyle Jamerson, Travis Stewart, Rhett Houston, Rosalie Lopez, Paul Graham

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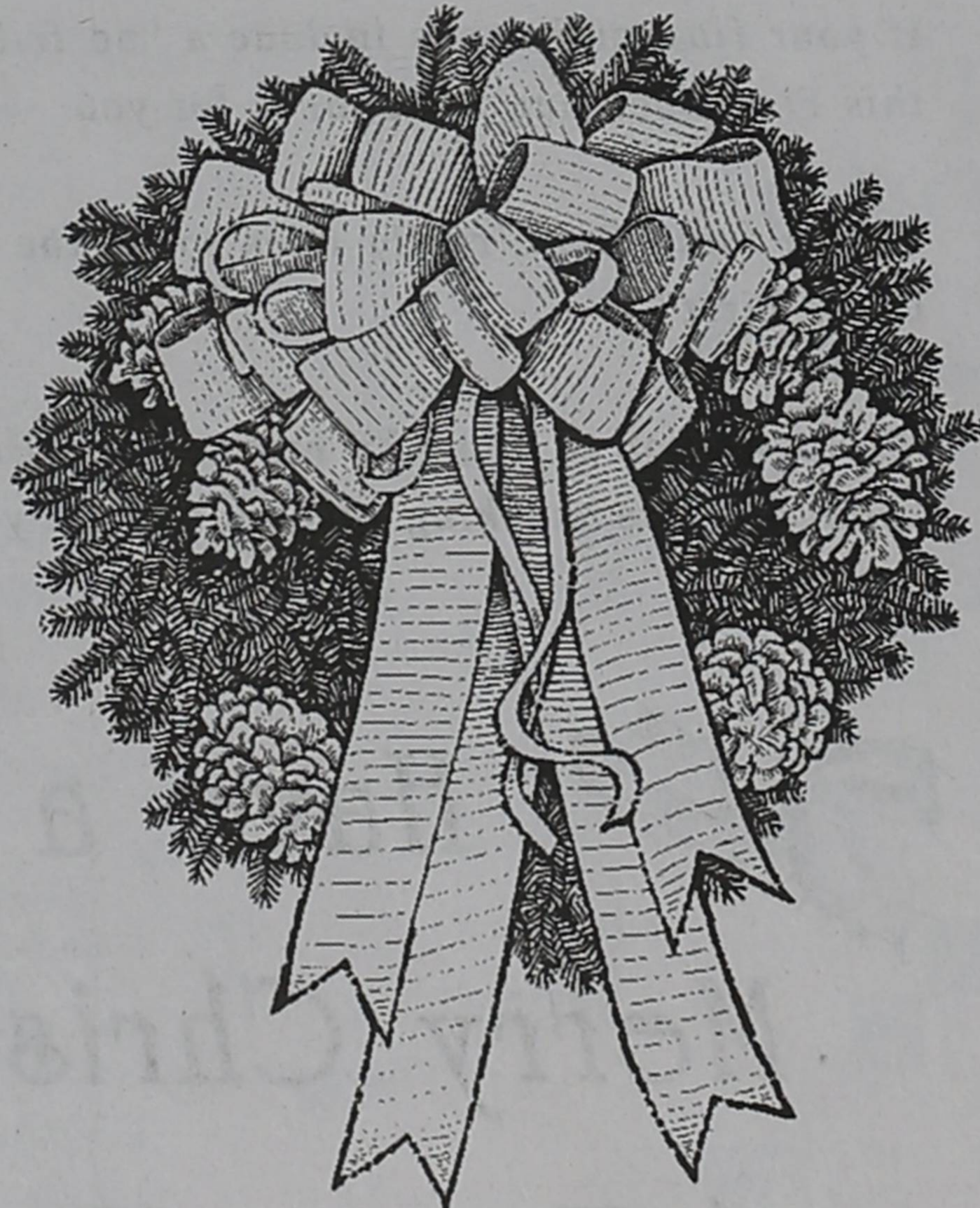
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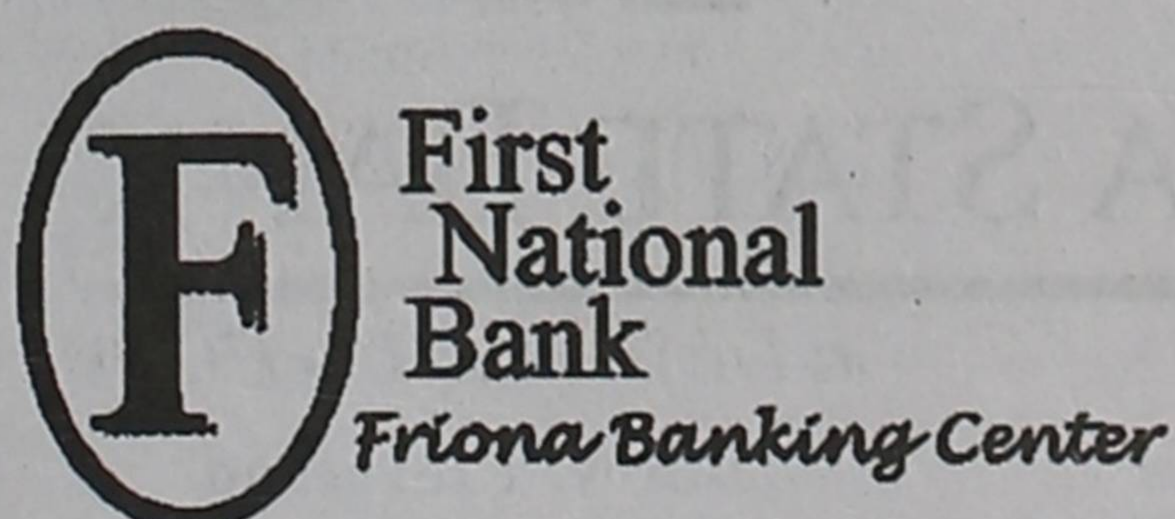


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Donors at the Coffee Memorial blood drive in Friona last Thursday were cheered by this Christmas tree in the Calvary Baptist fellowship hall.

Join us Wednesday December 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for our annual Christmas open house. Stop by for tea and cookies.



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At the City of Bovina's breakfast with Santa Saturday December 6th at the XIT Recreation Center, both the young and young-at-heart enjoyed the party. Mrs. Sarah Dean, 97, discusses her list with Santa as her great-great-grandson Rylan Kendrick looks on. The event and refreshments was sponsored by the city council, mayor, and city employees.

Babies of Christmas

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

I've had babies on my mind, and I realize that Jesus is the most important baby of Christmas, but He is not the only baby mentioned in the Christmas story. After Joseph led Mary and Jesus to safety away from Bethlehem after the wise men's departure, King Herod initiated a heinous crime of slaughtering all the male children two years old and under, because he was intimidated at the thought of someone else being King (Matthew 2). Although this horrid massacre was one of pure evil, in God's prophetic sovereignty it also fulfilled prophecy from Jeremiah hundreds of years before.

As I think of all the babies killed I am reminded of a similar sin in our day that is just as evil, yet cloaks itself under the banner of "women's choice." Abortion in our nation is just as bad as Herod's command, except Herod's atrocity only killed a few hundred at most, and abortion in America exceeds one million yearly, with hundreds of thousands of babies killed by hard earned tax dollars.

This Christmas thank God for the children in your family and friends you have, but also take time to pray that in our nation children would once again be cherished and brought up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

Panhandle Parables

Christmas Time

JEFF PROCTER, Minister, 6th St. Church of Christ

There they sat in the far reaches of the attic. It was Christmas time and they finally were getting out of the attic. Once the box was down it was obvious they had been up there awhile dust covered each bulb and in the bottom many were broken. How does something get so tangled just sitting in the box? A mystery for sure. Finally untangled and with crossed fingers they were plugged in, most worked, a few needed replaced and others just needed to be tightened. Each was placed in line on the roof and when turned on that night made the old house look amazing. The season will end and the lights will be taken down, placed in a box put back in the attic to wait for the next time to shine.

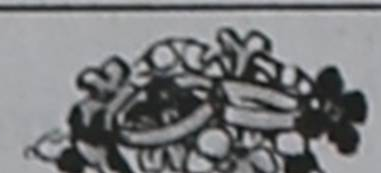
This is the life of a Christmas light, but sadly a reflection of how some Christians use their spiritual lights. Jesus said we are the light of the world, but our privilege is to shine always. If we do it on occasion that is like being a Christmas light. If we shine only in worship service then we miss the opportunities to show others in darkness the way to Him. When Jesus arrived in that manger long ago from day one darkness was dispelled. Wherever He went the Light was with Him, in Him and was Him. Darkness had no answer, because Jesus was the answer. Enjoy the lights of the season, but remember tis always the season to be a child of the King. Don't hide it under a bushel, or attic or church building. Don't let the devil blow it out, let it shine, let it shine, all the time, let it shine!

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce wants to wish everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We work hard to improve our community and 2012 has been a great year for Bovina. Your Chamber looks forward to another successful year for the Bovina community in 2013.



WEDDING



Bandy - Price

Chelsey May Bandy and Blake LaWayne Price were united in marriage October 6, 2012, at the home of the groom's parents with Rick Bloodworth officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Todd and Lori Bandy of Floydada. She is the granddaughter of Ray and Dorothy Thomas of Mesa, Arizona, and Eugene and Patsy Bandy of Friona.

The groom is the son of Joe and Anna Price of Wayside. He is the grandson of Jimmy and Maurine Cornelius of Plainview and the late Aaron and Frances Price of Clayton, New Mexico.

Matron of Honor was Kristin Bandy of Midland, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridal attendants were Laura Jenkins of Borger and Emily Abbott of Lubbock, both cousins of the groom, and Penny Taylor of Floydada and Shayla Webb of Canyon, both friends of the bride. They wore strapless, knee-length dresses in a plum color and carried bouquets of ivory roses.

Best man was Zane Price of Higgins, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Ace Webb of Canyon, Ryan Hamilton of Abilene and Sebron Young of Irving, all friends of the groom, and Levi Bandy of Midland, brother of the bride. They wore black pants, white shirts, and plum colored ties. The groom wore a black tux-



edo, white shirt, a plum colored vest and a paisley tie.

Flower girls were Lacey and Tatum Talley of Mesa, Arizona, cousins of the bride. Ring bearer was Bronc Rice of Lazbuddie, cousin of the groom.

The bride was presented in marriage by her parents. She wore an ivory colored, long, mermaid style gown with lace and pearls and a sweetheart neckline, and a veil was made by the bride's Nana. The bride carried a bouquet of ivory

roses and plum colored Calla lilies. Her "something old" was her great-grandmother's pearl necklace, "something borrowed" was her Nana's diamond earrings, and "something blue" was her mother's ring.

Ushers were Adam Bandy of Canyon, cousin of the bride, and Austin Abbott of Amarillo, cousin of the groom.

A reception was held at the home of the groom's parents. Reception attendants for the bride's table were Valerie Morgeson, cousin of the bride, and Pamela Bandy, aunt of the bride. Reception attendant for the groom's table was Joy Blubaugh, aunt of the groom.

Following a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, the couple will make their home in Floydada.

The bride is a 2004 graduate of Brady High School. In 2009 she earned a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies from the University of North Texas. She is a second grade teacher at Floydada.

The groom is a 2005 graduate of Happy High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science in sports and exercise sciences in 2008 and a Master's of Science in sports management in 2010, both from West Texas A&M University. He is a teacher and coach at Plainview High School.

Bovina Chamber seeks donations for the Christmas for Kids program

By Don Spring, Bovina Chamber president

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, at their regular meeting December 6, 2012, agreed to administer a program to provide Christmas gifts for needy children in Bovina. Kim McArthur volunteered to assume the committee chair along with members Suezzy Smith, Shelby Rhodes, and Celia Tienpa. These ladies will collect funds for the gifts and also collect toys for kids from birth to 18-years-old. They will shop for gifts before Christmas and distribute them.

Some children might have a bleak Christmas if not for the generosity of Bovina folks. It is easy to understand, in this day and time, how many people could feel a pinch in the purse strings and just not be able to afford luxuries such as toys and games for their kiddos. It's hard to visualize a child without toys on Christmas so the Chamber is counting on the people of Bovina to fund the project.

If you want to donate to the fund you may do so at First Bank of Muleshoe, Bovina branch. Just tell the bank representative you want to make a donation to Bovina Chamber of Commerce Christmas for Kids fund. Also you may take toy selections to McArthur Electric at 301 Hwy 86 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. If you have any questions contact any of the ladies on the committee or any chamber member. We will appreciate your help and concern.

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Breakfast and lunch menu for Dec 17 - 21.

Monday

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Steak fingers, hot rolls, mix veggie California, English peas, tropical fruit, ice cold milk

Tuesday

Choice of cereal, pancake sausage on stick, fruit punch, ice cold milk
Popcorn chicken, hot rolls, lettuce & tomato salad, mashed potatoes, pineapple, ice cold milk

Wednesday

Cereal variety, breakfast toasters, orange pineapple juice, ice cold milk
Spaghetti, hot rolls, green beans, corn, peaches, ice cold milk

Thursday

Cereal variety, breakfast pizza, orange pineapple juice, ice cold milk
Hot ham & cheese, chips, carrot sticks, mandarin oranges, ice cold milk

Friday

Choice of cereal, cinnamon rolls, string cheese, grape juice, ice cold milk
Pizza, tomatoes, pinto beans, ice cream, ice cold milk

Friona Junior High Exam Schedule

Wednesday, December 19th

1 st Period	8:00 - 9:00	EXAM
Brkfst	9:00 - 9:15	
2 nd Period	9:20 - 9:55	
3 rd Period	10:00 - 11:00	EXAM
4 th Period	11:05 - 11:50	
5 th Period	11:55 - 12:35	
Lunch	12:35 - 1:10	
6 th Period	1:15 - 2:15	EXAM
7 th Period	2:20 - 3:05	
Homeroom	3:10 - 3:30	

Thursday, December 20th

2 nd Period	8:00 - 9:00	EXAM
BrkFst	9:00 - 9:15	
1 st Period	9:20 - 10:00	
4 th Period	10:05 - 11:05	EXAM
5 th Period	11:10 - 11:50	
7 th Period	11:55 - 12:35	
Dismiss	12:35	

Friday, December 21st

5 th Period	8:00 - 9:00	EXAM
Brkfst	9:00 - 9:15	
3 rd Period	9:20 - 10:00	
7 th Period	10:05 - 11:05	EXAM
6 th Period	11:10 - 11:55	
Homeroom	12:00 - 12:30	
Dismiss	12:30	

Car seat event a big success

The Healthy Baby Coalition of Parmer County, Parmer Medical Center, and the Texas Department of Health and Human Services teamed together last Thursday afternoon to make Parmer County a safer place for children. A free car seat inspection was offered in the hospital's parking lot.

Certified technicians worked with each family to instruct them on how to assure their child was fitted properly in their car seat and that the car seat was installed properly in the vehicle. Each family received 20-30 minutes of one-on-one instruction from the technicians who answered questions and assured that each child was safe in their family vehicle.

In addition, DSHS provided 26 car seats that were distributed free to parents who did not have a seat for their child or whose current car seat was considered unsafe or not appropriate for the age of the child. Overall, 53

children were assisted. Cars were backed up waiting to be seen from the PMC employee parking lot south almost to Hwy 60.

Santa Claus was also present to get the children's Christmas list and goodie bags were dis-

tributed to the children. Hospital spokesperson Heidi Eichenauer said, "We sincerely apologize to the families we had to turn away due to running out of seats and/or time." The event will be scheduled again in the spring.



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Parmer Medical Center coordinated a child's safety seat check last Friday in the employee parking lot. Cars lined up for the seat check and some received new free car seats. Santa was also on hand to help direct traffic.

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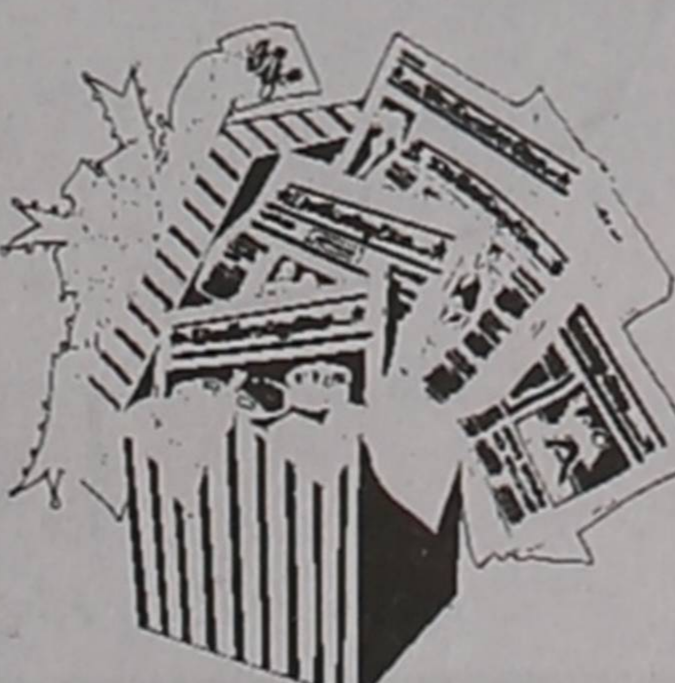
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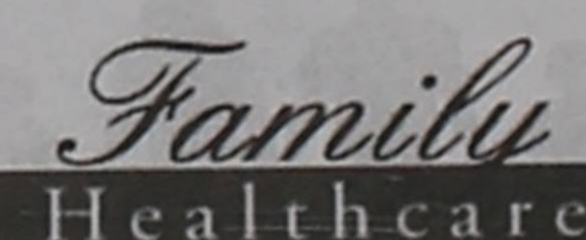
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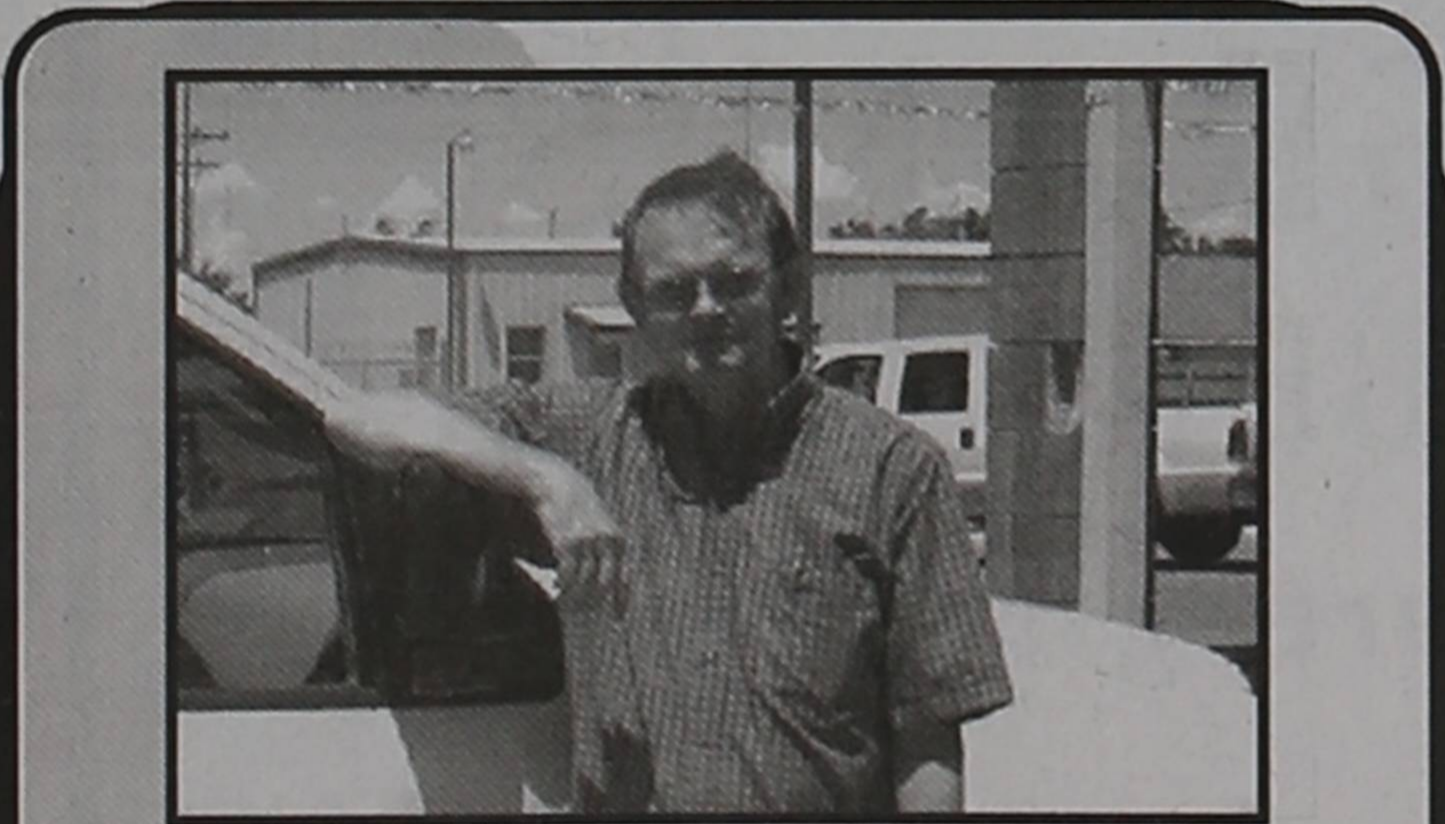
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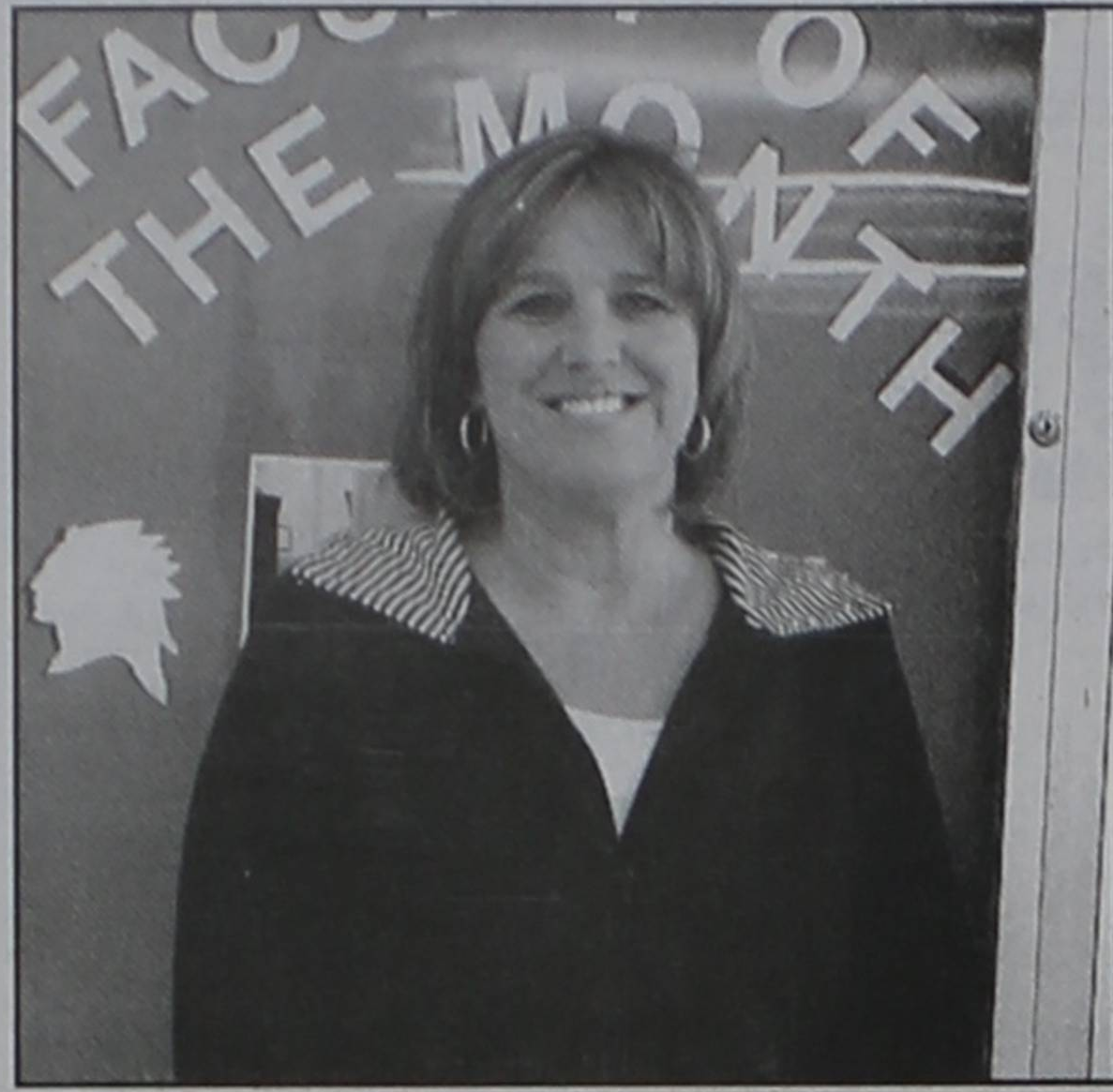
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Teacher of the Month

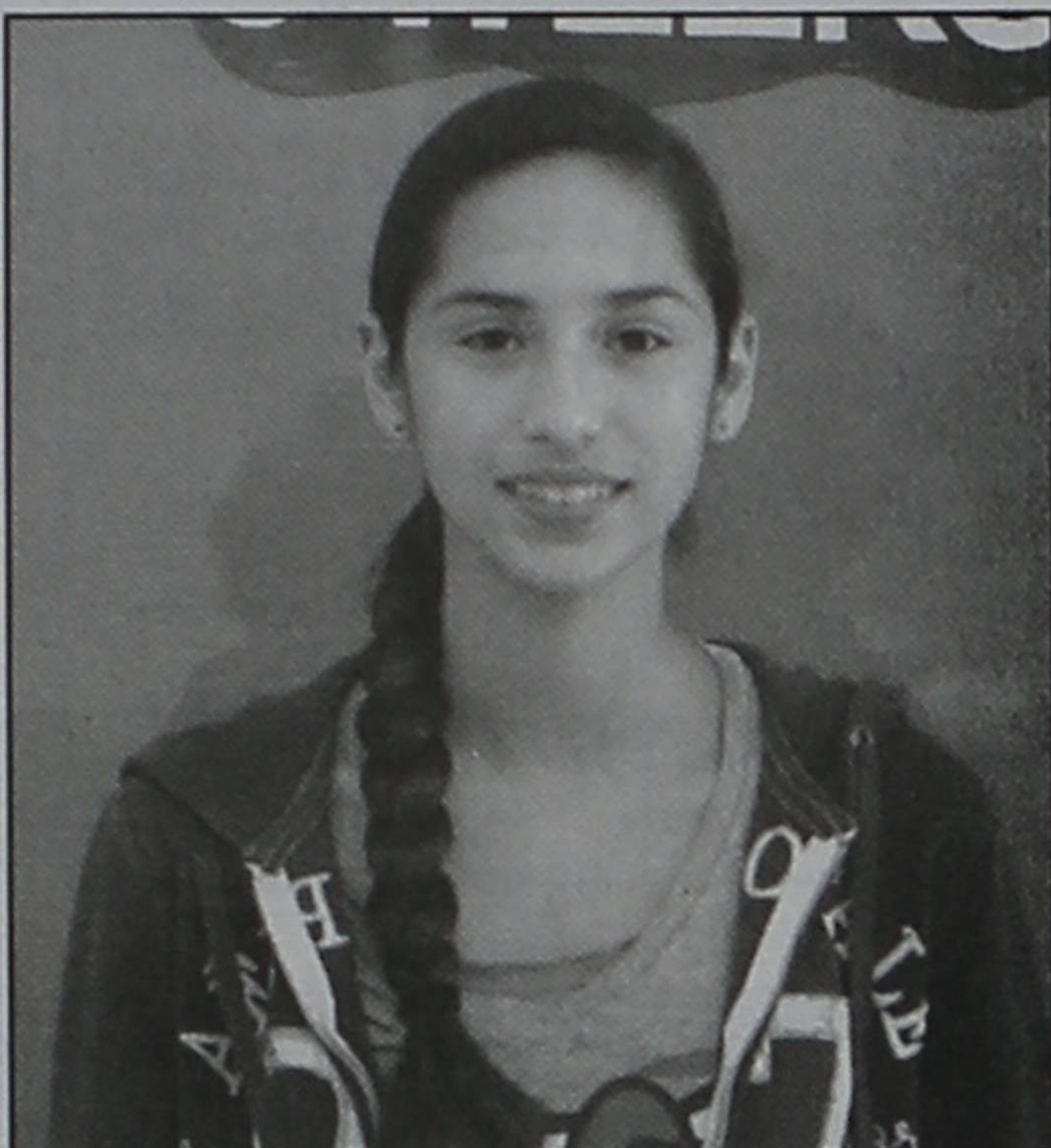


The Friona High School Teacher of the Month for November is Sandra Berend. She is dedicated to the school by spending countless hours on her own, tutoring students after school, working on Monday nights with ACT preps, and volunteering her time on various school projects. She was nominated by her peers and administration. She has 20+ years teacher experience and is head of the math department.

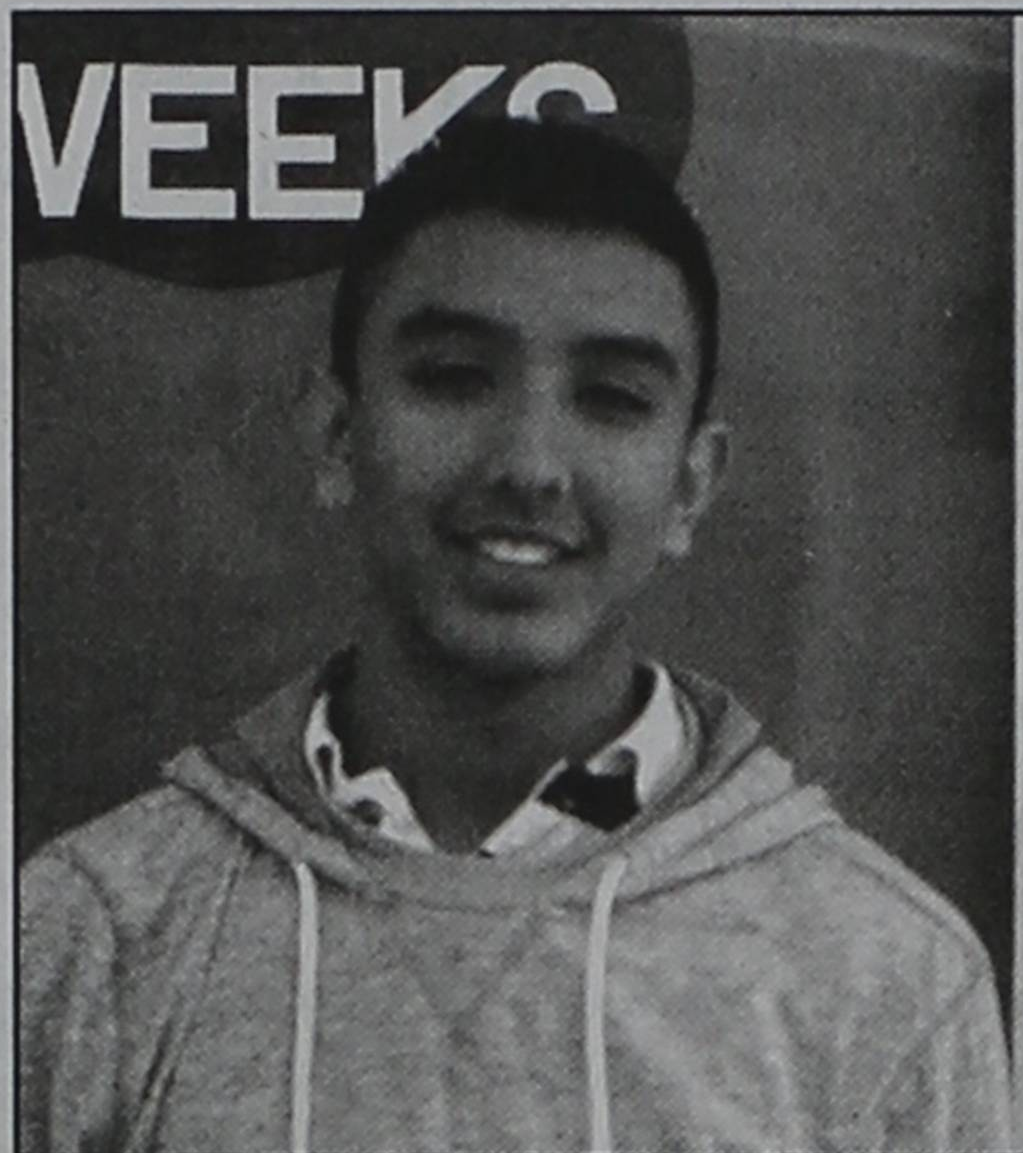
Students of the first six weeks

Friona High school staff selects students for recognition each six weeks. This year they are choosing a boy and girl from each grade level. Comments from teachers are included. The students selected for the

1st six weeks are: freshman, Salma Estrada and Israel Espinoza; sophomore, Kayla Alexander and Brandon Berend; junior, Esdras Rodriguez and Ashli Smith; senior, Magali Moralez and Eduardo Rojas.



Salma Estrada
Time and again I've seen Salma be a positive influence on others and she always has a great attitude.



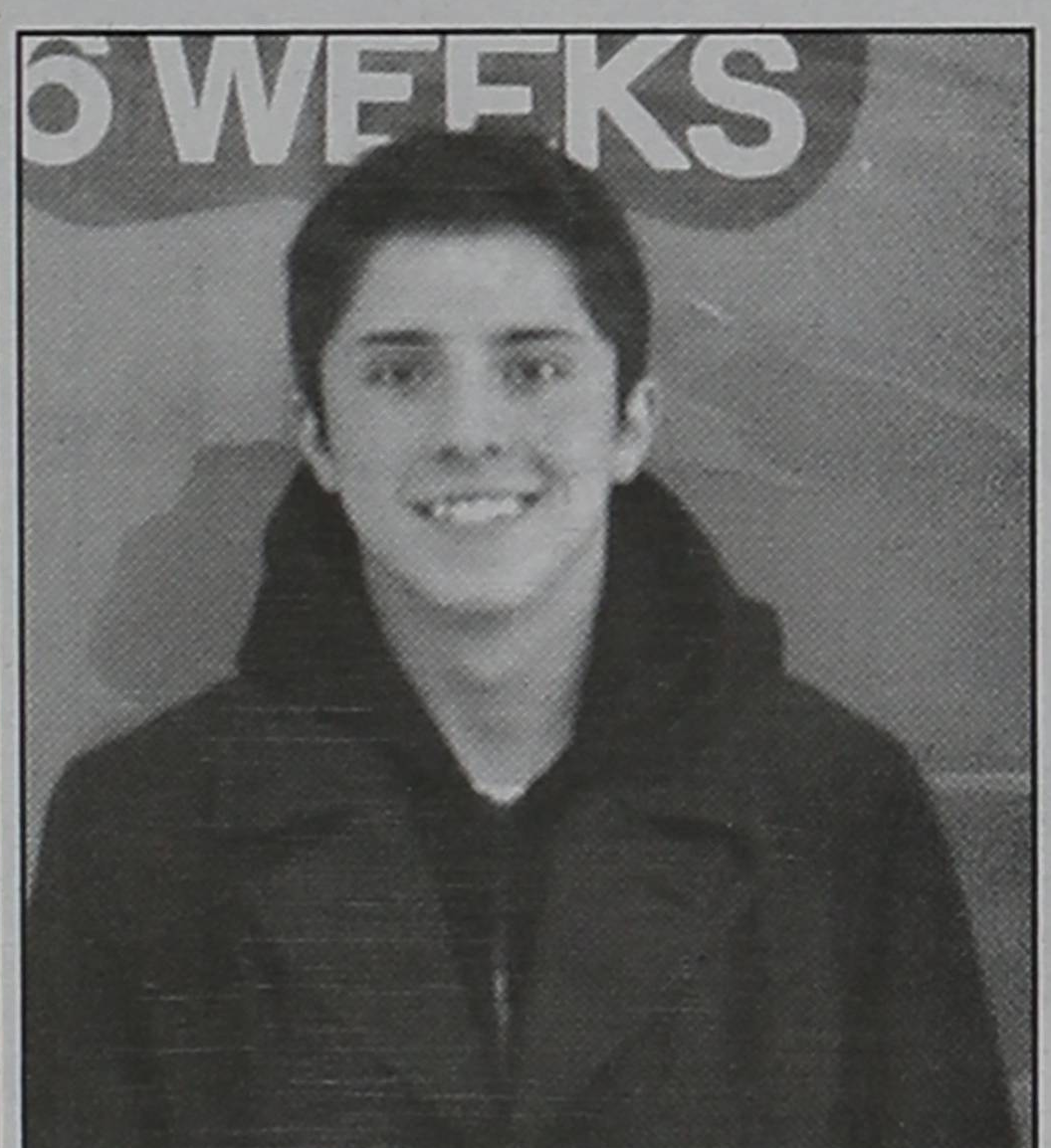
Israel Espinoza
Israel is quiet but he is a hard worker and always has a smile on his face.



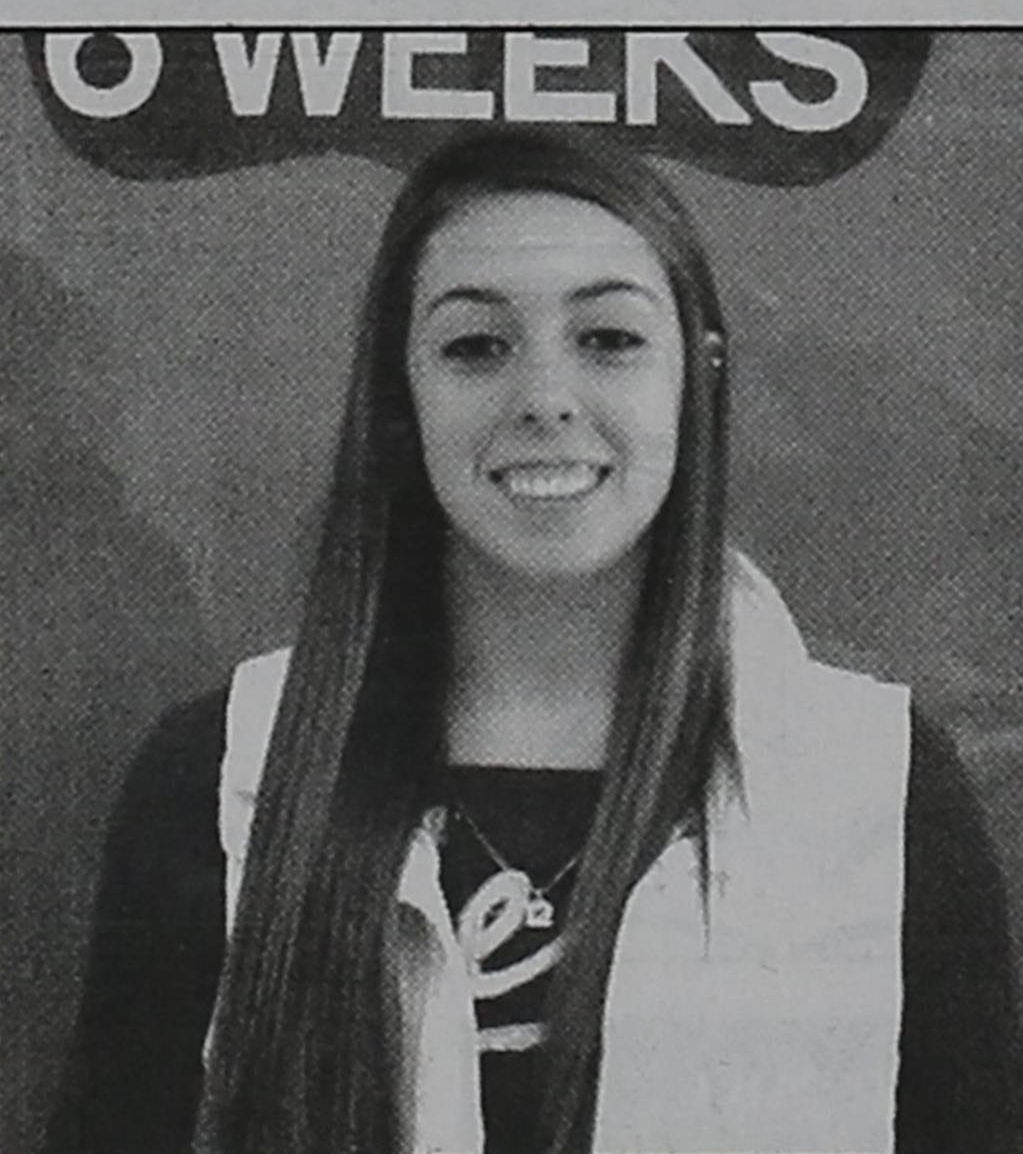
Kayla Alexander
Kayla is always excited about participating in class and she is always looking for ways to improve even though she already shines.



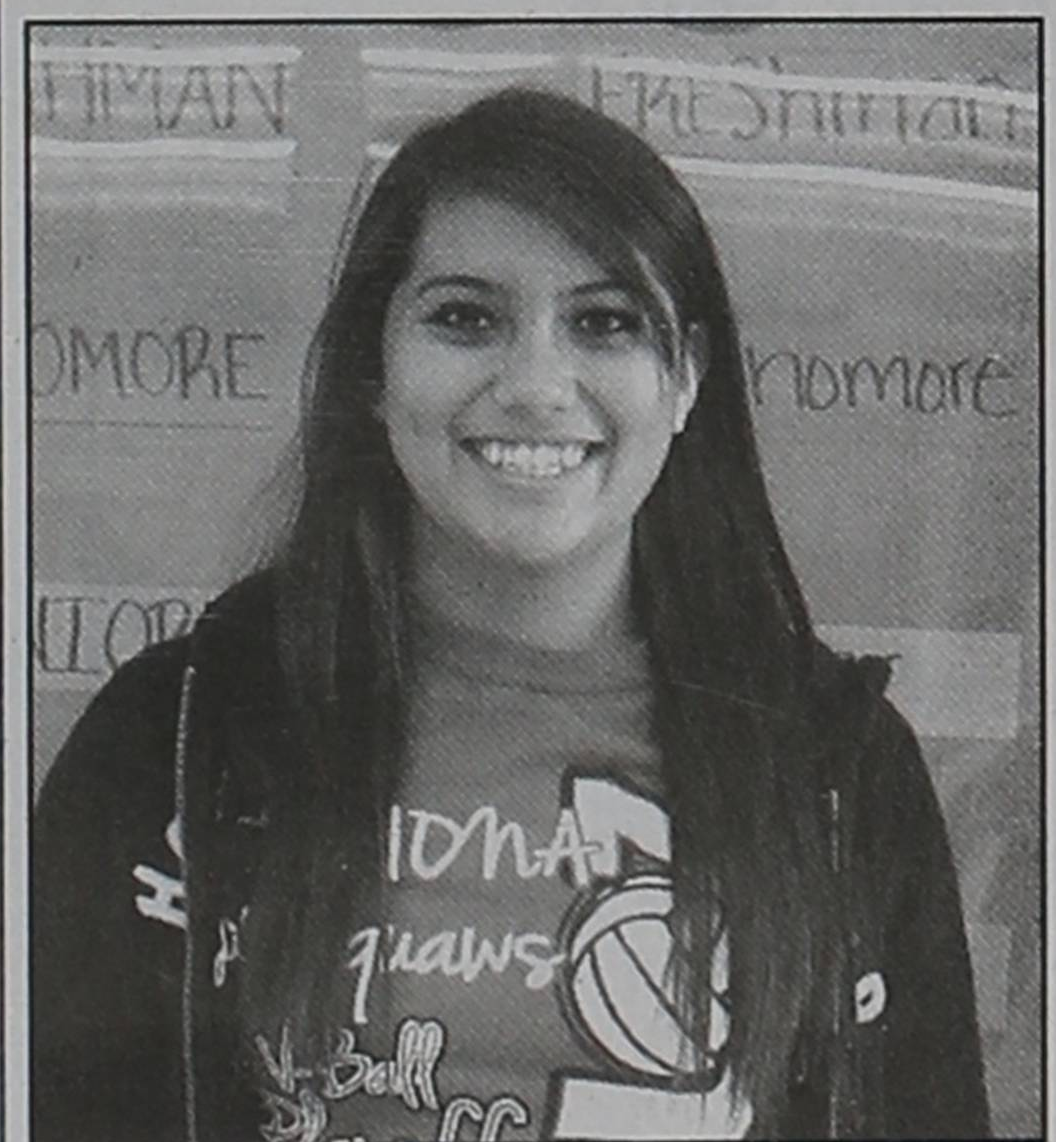
Brandon Berend
He is a leader and makes excellent grades. He is in many advanced classes.



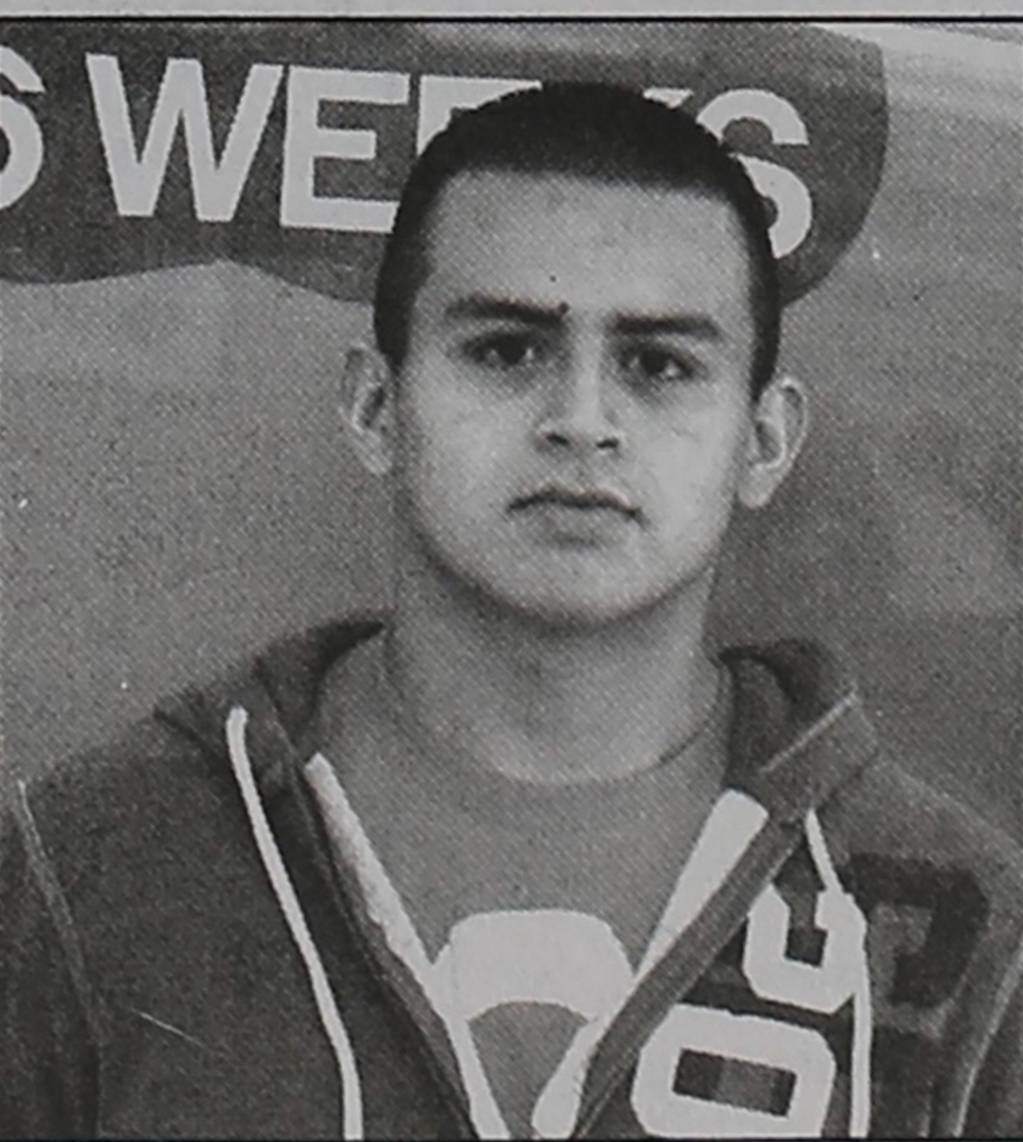
Esdras Rodriguez
Works hard in class and gets along well with classmates.



Ashli Smith
Very active in extracurricular activities.



Magali Moralez
Very involved in extracurricular activities. Makes excellent grades in advanced classes.



Eduardo Rojas
Leads by example and is well liked by his peers.

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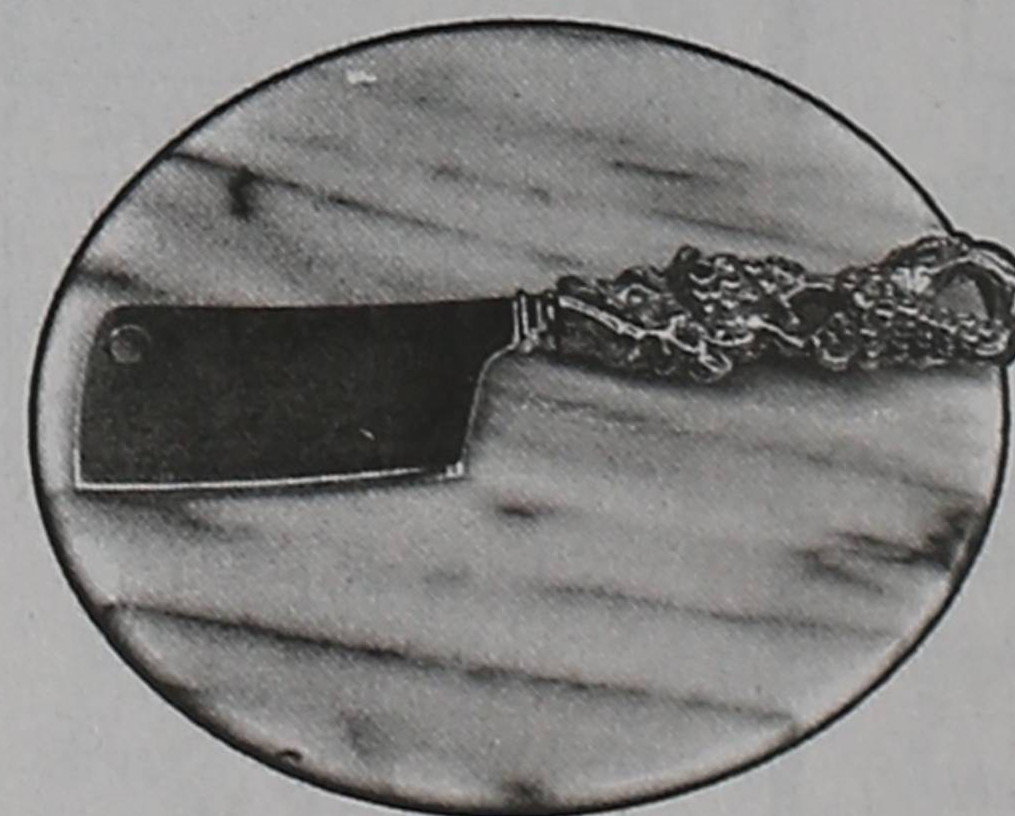
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Master gardener classes in Amarillo

The Potter County Master Gardeners Association will offer a series of six classes as a part of Gardening 101 for those interested in improving their gardening skills, according to Janean Thompson, association president. Master Gardeners is a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service program.

"Gardening 101 is for all gardeners, accomplished or beginners, who want to learn

more about the solutions to challenges faced by gardeners in our region of the state," Thompson said.

Topics for the six classes include: Improving your soil, Low-water perennials and annuals, Roses and shrubs, Lawns and trees, Rainwater harvesting, and Gardening by the seasons, which is a quarterly summary for a full year in the garden.

The classes will begin January 17 and continue each Thursday for six weeks. All classes will be held from 6-8 p.m. at the AgriLife Extension office, 3301 E. 10th St. in Amarillo. Cost for the classes is \$15 for individual classes or \$60 for all six. The deadline for registration is January 11, 2013. More details available by calling 806-373-0713 or visiting the website at www.txmg.org/potter.



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Fourth grade students Arianet Resendiz, left, and Anahi Villa and their 4th grade classmates visited the Parmer County Historical Museum last Friday to learn about Chief Quannah Parker and the arrow placed at the museum to designate the Quannah Parker Trail.

Squaw results at Farwell tourney

The Squaws placed 5th at the Farwell tournament last weekend. On Thursday they lost to Anton 36-63. Anton outscored the Squaws 35-13 in the second half. Scoring for Friona: Hicks 9, Miller 8, Murphree 6, Strohmayer 5, Preston 4, Posada 2, Juarez 2.

Friday's game was with Christ the King and the Squaws won 68-28. They led 41-18 at the half. Scoring were: Murphree 21, Miller 12, Hicks 11, Strohmayer 6, Juarez 5, Preston 3, Adame 2.

In Saturday's game the Squaws beat Grady 56-22. They led 15-6 at the end of the first quarter and 32-6 at the half. Scoring were: Miller 13, Strohmayer 10, Hicks 10, Kimbrough 7, Murphree 6, Juarez 4, Adame 4.



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Brianna Miller (25) plays keep away with an Abernathy Lady Lope Tuesday night at Friona gym. The Squaws won the district opener 51-43 and travel to Muleshoe Friday Dec 14 for a district match with the Lady Mules.

County sales tax received

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said state sales tax revenue in November was \$2.34 billion, up 13.1 percent compared to November 2011.

Collections were strong in sectors such as retail trade, manufacturing, oil and natural gas, construction, and telecommunication. Sales tax figures represent October sales reported by monthly tax filers. Parmer County received \$43,943.32 compared to \$38,696.16 same month last year, an increase of 13.55%. Receipts by city are Bovina \$7,287.18,

Farwell \$8,965.18, and Friona \$27,690.96.

Friona has received \$584,707.34 in 2012, an increase of 2.49% over 2011. Bovina receipts are down -2.08%, \$92,146.88 in 2012, compared to \$94,110.97 in 2011. Farwell has \$109,077.57 received in 2012, compared to \$96,799.27 in 2011, an increase of 12.68%.

Total 2012 receipts for the county are \$584,704.34 in 2012, compared to \$565,047.62 for the same period in 2011, an increase of 3.47%.



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Letters to Santa

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How are ya'lls raindeer's doing are they doing ok? How are ya'lls elfs doing? I what a Ipad and a Ipod. Hope you have a merry Christmas!
Your frinid, Nevaeh Maestas

Dear Satnta
I've been good for 5 weeks how is dashr? I have a frind namd Mario and Fabian they are my bffs. I made a gingr bred man. For crismis. I want a iphone, ipods ipad
Your frind, Evan Snyder

Dear Santa,
How is miss claus I wot a puppy for Christmas.
Your frind, Jasmin

Dare Santa Claus,
How are you doing? You are riteing kids on the list on crismis. You sneke in are homes and you gif presnts to all the children.
You frind, Mathew

Dear Santa,
How are you doing how are the rain deer so on christmas night I'm going to put raindeer food out. So how are things going in the North pol? Ivot that I want an anser abot it, so when you get time come to my house.PS. Merry Christmas
Your friend, Brooklyn Ray

Dear Santa,
How are the rain Deer doing? Good and are you having a good Chrismis? Do you like milk and cookies and crem do you have a merary chrismis and can you fill my stocking on December 25 if you don't it's ok and do you wont sum cookies and milk?
Your friend, Martin

Dear: santa
How are you and your reindeers? Are you coming to my house to give me a present for chrismis? You like milk and cookies? I like chrismis.
Your friend, Fabian

Dear Santa,
I bin gude for five week. I wont dog for chkistmas and I want a bike for Christmas and a lade bug. How are you doing? How are the raindeer How are the presents? How is the tree, do you like youre decoration? How is eating cookies and mike? You are the best Santa I ever saw because you give me presnt. How is the noth pow I think it is cold. Come to my house Mercrismis I like youe clos and youe hat and youe soosse and youe be to I like your berd and youe sled and youe here.
Youe frainid, Ivory

Dear Santa,
I hop you have a good day if you give a boy name Jacob it's ok if you give him a game I love you and P.S. I want a new bike
Your friend, Mario Carranza

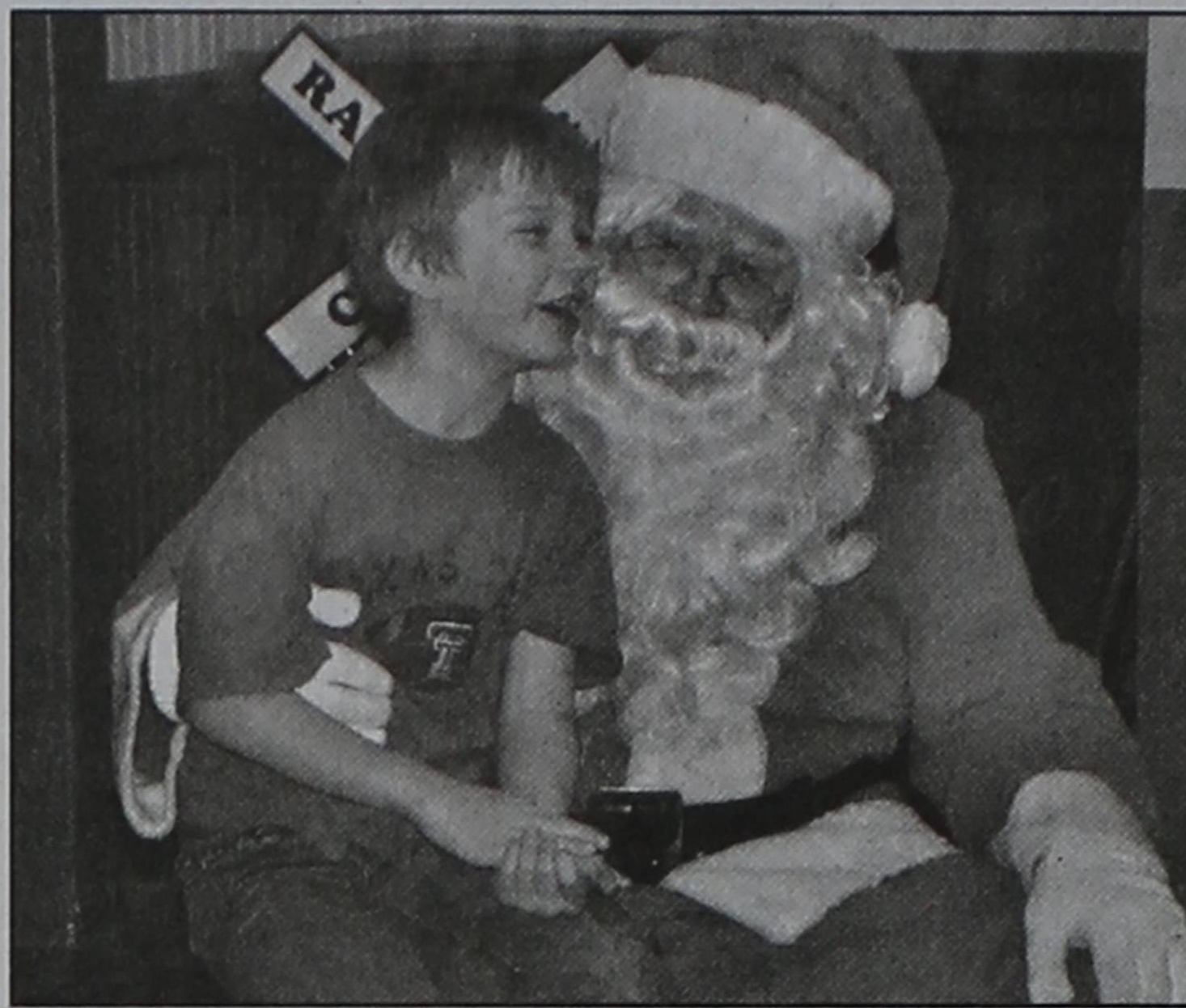
Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Walking Baby Alive. I promise I will leave cookies, milk, and carrots for you and your reindeers.
Yours truly, Lexy

Dear Santa
When you said that I will git good on battleship I think I will get good! Oll I want is a battle ship game and a xbox wi3th the Battlefeld game that goes with the xbox.
Love, Caleb Geste, 7

Dear Santa
I want a ds for Christmas. Merry Christmas!
Angel, age 7

Dear Santa,
I want a game like a fishing rode, a nerf gun that shoots out little circles... I want some cologne... a remote control car...
Thank u: Esiquel, 8 years old

Dear Santa,
I woud like to no how are you doing. Are you good becus I'm a good boy. I woud like a new bike and a hat and new shoos and a new bak pak. Ad new shert.
Your frind, Anthony Guerrero



Dear' Santa I woud like to no how you are doing and I woud wont to no how you're raindeer's? I wont a ipad and I wont a little fake pinwen and a fake rabit.
You're frind Janessa

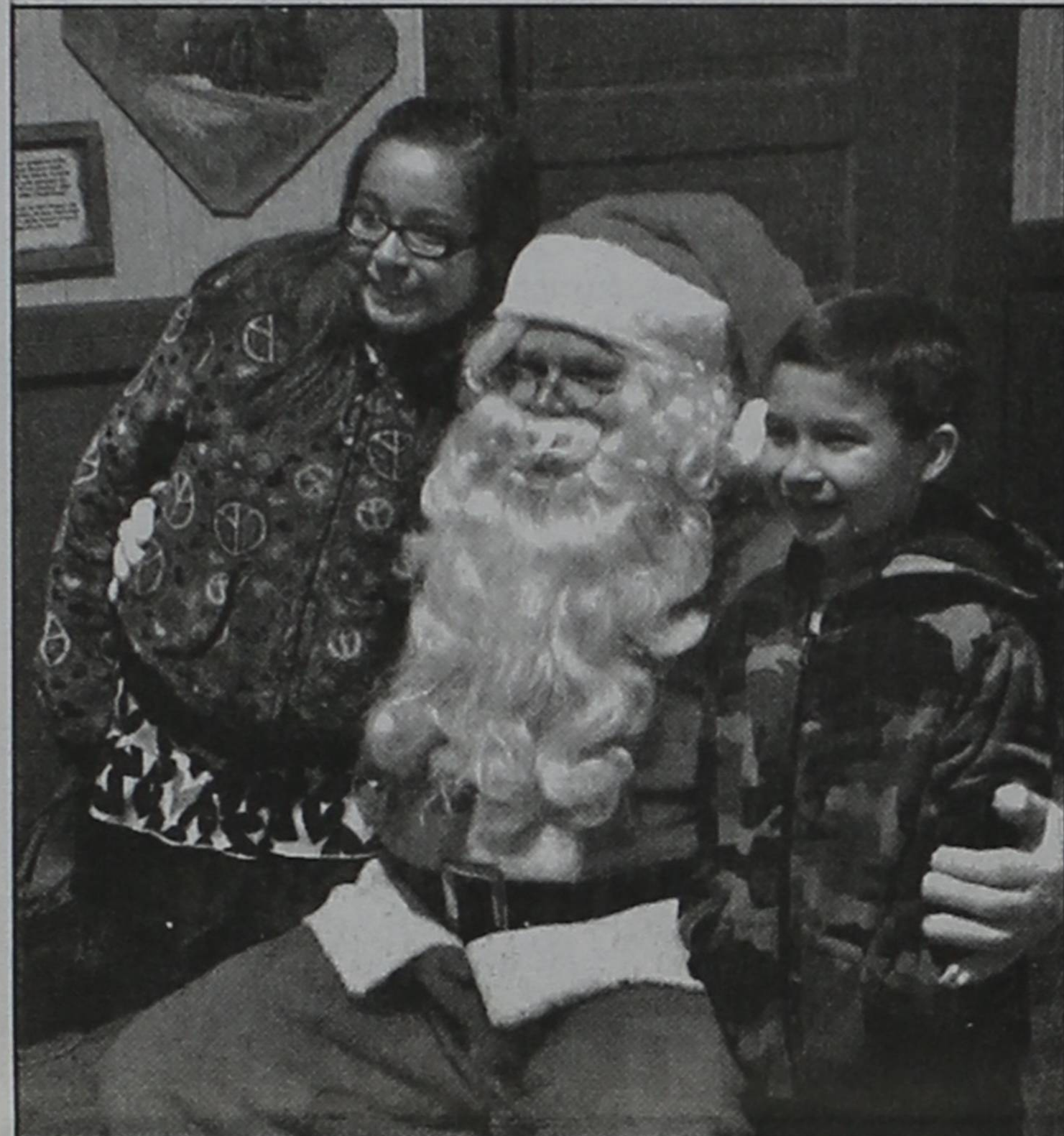
Dear Santa,
You are so kind to others when you give us present? I qill have cookies on the table for you and "milk"? For Christmas, I would like a "D"s and some snow boots. Ear muffs. And a alarm "clock". And a present "for" my "teacher", Mrs. Sherrill? "Merry Christmas Santa"!
Love, Cheyenne Correa

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry Chrismis and you are a good santa because you like milk and cookies right? I don't want a anser I just want to now how are you and your raindeer doing up there in the northpoll. Are you going to come down for chrismis this year santa?
Your friend, Hailey Stewart

Der Santa
Wut I wont for cricmis is a xbox 360 game called asansis creeec three and super Mario 2 and one more thing. Boxers three
Anthony, age 7

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? Are you naughty or nice. I have been a little naughty because my brother and my sister they a driving me crazy and they are annoying. But the worst one is my sister Vanessa she is alwas braking my toys. But what I want for Christmas is a Monster High Doll house, laptop, and a phone. Thank you santa Have a Merry Christmas
Love, Angela Muniz
P.S. How do the raindeer fly?

Dear: Santa
How are you doing. I have been naughty. Cus my sister and bother get me mad. And it make's me by naughty I am sorry. And I relly relly want nali's thank you, you are a good friend.
Love. Lize H. Garcia



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Dear Santa...

Dear Santa
For Christmas I would like an Ipad a Dora block house and some new clothing and lego blocks too.
Love Elaney Arzate.

Dear Santa, I want a Ipad and a skatebord and a laptop, nano and a Iphone how are you and the reindeers and Mrs. Clause and a New York giant flat hat and a new york giants jersey number 10 Angry birds slippers and air jordans that are plack and purple Xbox 360 with Halo 4 and call of duty blak oppps 2. Have a merry merry Christmas Santa and Mrs. Clause.
Love, Noelia

Dear Santa,
I you are having a wonderful Christmas. Are you busy? I bet getting ready for Christmas getting all those toys for all of those boys and girls. I've been a good girl this year. I hope you can bring me A....computer, jewelry, lava lamp and the colors I want in it are pick, yellow and Just Dance 4. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas.
Love, Valilah
P.S. When is your birthday, pleas write back!!

Dear Santa
How are you? I have been good this yier. I would like a telescope and a iPod touch.
Thank you,
Kaden Jeter

Dear: Santa,
I would like some legos. The biggest box you can make. Merry Christmas!
Your friend, Emma - 8

Dear Santa
Can you bring me a game. And a toy called brats.
Love, Aiscia, age 7

Dear Santa,
I would like a pogo stick and a some tape by the way how is mrs. Santa and the elfs?
Gabe and I'm 7

Dear Santa,
I would like my two front teeth for Christmas. And a 3DS and a bike. Thank you for the presents last year. I've been really good this year.
Youer friend, Joey Frye, age 7



Dear Santa,
How are you? How are you're reindeer doning? I'm very excited for Christmas! How are you're elves?
Love, Mercedes Espinoza

Dear Santa
I want a remote controle airplane and a xbox 360 kinect. And a playstation 3 so my hole family can play. And a remote controle car.
Love, Carlos Reyes

Dear Santa
I want a remote control car. I want a corvet and an angry bird that is black with fire when you cick on it it explodes His name is bomb when you you push on it it makes a bird sound And I would love an ipod.
Love, Jacob

Dear Santa,
How is it at the North pole? Here at Friona it is great. Santa I would like to have a coffee maker with a lot hot chocolate. Thank you santa
You'r friend, Kamryn Rieth-mayer
p.s. call me if you need to

Dear Santa
I want a dog and also a doll. Santa my family needs a car to. And we need money for my family because we are por. Santa you are so nice and sweet. When you come I do not have a christmas tree so could you leave the presents in my house. Santa do you want cocies. Leave a neckles to Mrs. Mendoza's desk, And for my mom a lot of sweet presents.
Love
Azarel Gutierrez

Dear Santa how is the northpole Santa. I belive in and Mrs. Clause Santa do you have a red nose and I belive in Christmas how is the reindeers and the efls and the toy makers Santa I love you. You are so nice because I think you should give gifts to the efls and I want a puppy for Christmas and give my brother a toy or a dog. And give my dad a cowboy watch and give my mom books she loves books. I with you can give my dog a toy and lots of. Merry Christmas Santa and Mrs. Clause.
Love, Vanessa Perez

Dear Santa
I was wondering if I cod ride on your sled win it is Christmas that will be the best christmas ever if. I don't have that thin biy me a horse for chrismos and to trad my bruthes for a cupcaka that is sumthing I riley wunt.
Love Breanna

Dear Santa,
I don't want toys this year because I already have what I got. Do you want to know what it is, it's my dad because he's home. I'm glad.
Thank you Santa.
Love, Danielle

Dear Santa
I want dog and a robot dog and a soccer field toy. And a Basket ball cort and a robot person. A giant giant dinosaur. And a playstation3. Santa want would you like a cookie.
Love Ivan Reveles

Dear Santa,
How are you? I saw your sled track after you came to my home and give me my present. I hope you will give me the video game cod of dut blak cops 2 and a little skere toy thing box and a remote helicopter and merry Christmas Santa.
Love Elijah Robledy

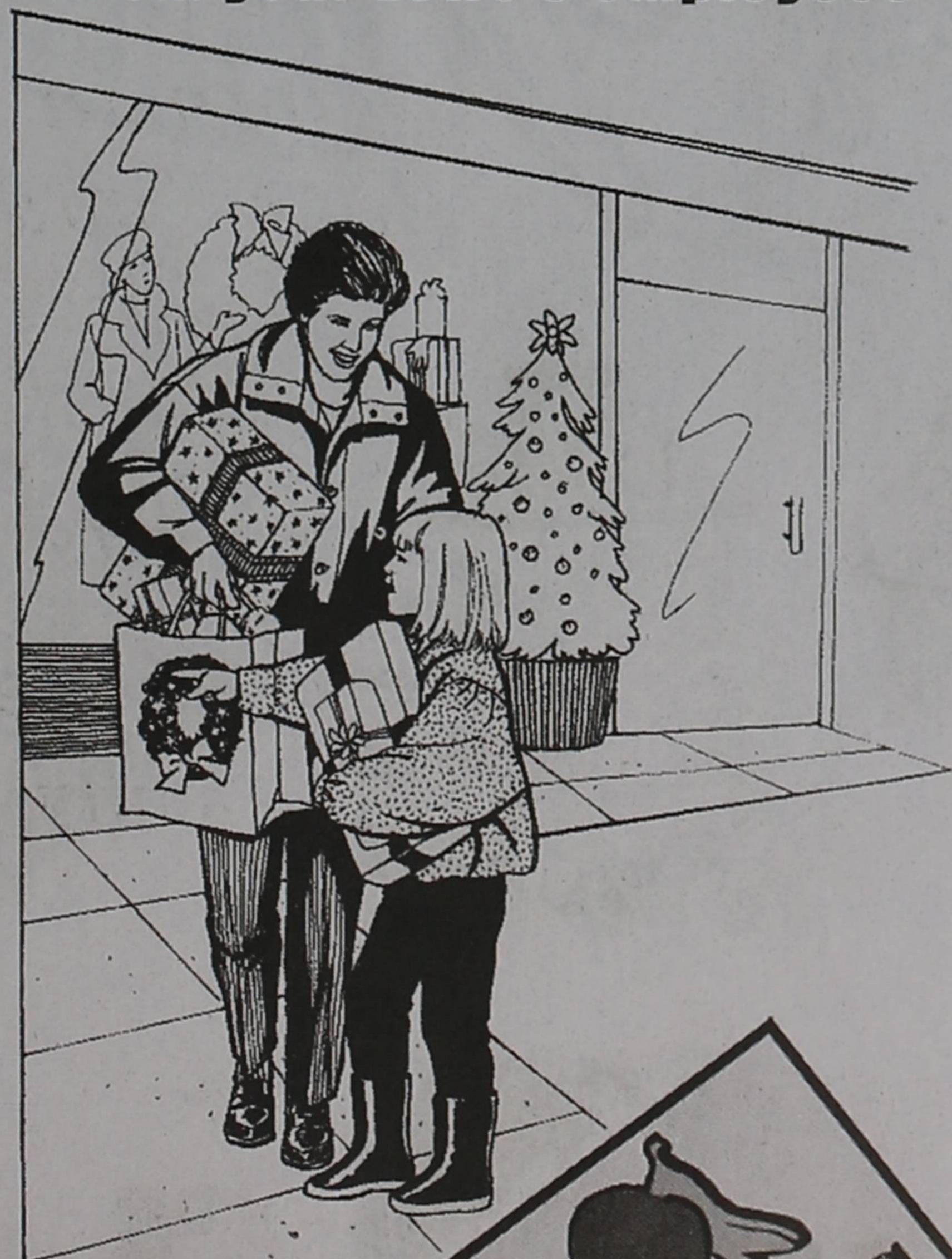
Dear Santa,
How are you? I saw you at Christmas at the park. Can I please have one bell off of your sleigh?
Love, Nicole Guerra

Dear Santa
I want another ipod because I want to get a new case for my cousins. Santa I want to get another playstation But this one has to be a playstation two. Have a good Merry Christmas.
Love Deiondre Romero



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Friona elementary 4th grade students learned about Quanah Parker during a visit to the Parmer County Historical Museum Friday. They toured inside the museum then gathered for this photo at the arrow marking Friona's location on the Quanah Parker Trail.

Letters for Santa

Dear Santa

I want a xbox 360 and a playstation 3 and 3 remotes for my playstation 3 and will you bring me a lot of cool toys. Please bring me a big big truck to play in the house because when I get bored I can play with my truck in the mud and I make a big mess in the mud.
Elian R.

Dear Santa,

I would like a blouse and a tin puppy abnd Merry Christmas.
Love, Marae Trevino

Dear Santa,

I would like a remote control helicopter. I would like a computer. I would like a remote control train. I would like a puppy. I would like a pair of boots.
Love
Stef Ally

I saw your sled and reindeer tracks in Indiana. Merry Christmas Santa

Dear Santa

How are you? I would like a train and a ball for Christmas.
Love Eric Sanchez

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been celebrating your Christmas and I saw a erk. Can I please have erasers? With 40 of them. I am not at my house I'm at my Grandmas house
Love, Eduardo Jimenez

Dear Santa,

I like a toy puppy. They are so cute. I am so prowed of my solfe I saw elves they are so cool. And Marry Christmas Santa.
Love Angelyna

Dear Santa,

I would like a puppy and a blouse, a DS, some pajamas, and some pencils. Merry Christmas Santa.
Love Pricila Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

Are you looking forward to coming to my house? Can you afford a wii u and a console? If you can't afford it, it will not hurt my fellings. And can you bring a game with the wii u?
Love, Carter Gilley

Dear Santa,

How are you? Are the reindeers doing good? Howa re the elves doing are they doing good? I would like a stufft dog and a hamster for Christmas. I would like a DS and a wii. I would like a I pod and a I pad.
Love, Vicky Rojas

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? How is miss claw. All I want is a lizeld I am nice.
From Aneesa

Dear Santa Clause,

How are your reindeer? How do you get down the chimney? I hope you write me a letter. I want a four wheeler. I want a wii-u and games and buhe bug. Thank you santa, Ramon Aragon

Dear Santa plaes gif all I want is fa all my presents to go to the carady so make shur it gits ther but I do want is a pony so pleas git me one
Love Jodie Denton